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ERRATIC MARKING

Of Ballots Lost Seventeen Votes for Mr. Meehan

Because His Name Was Last on the List of Candidates a Number of Votes Intended for Him Were Counted Blanks Because the Cross Was on or Below the Line

THIS IS A BLANK VOTE

MAYOR - - MARK ONE	
GEORGE H. BROWN—193 Mammoth Road ..... Republican	
FRANK BURGESS—144 Shaw Street ..... Socialist	
JOHN F. MEEHAN—224 Worthen Street ..... Democratic	—X—

THIS IS A BLANK VOTE

JOHN F. MEEHAN,	Democratic	
		X

THIS IS A VOTE FOR MEEHAN

JOHN F. MEEHAN,	Democratic	X

As was stated in The Sun yesterday the losses in the vote for Mr. Meehan were due, almost without exception, to the mistake made by voters in making their crosses just below Mr. Meehan's name instead of directly opposite it, as explained by the illustrations from specimen ballot accompanying this article.

It is generally believed, of course, that the men who marked their cross in the square below Mr. Meehan's name intended to vote for him, but through ignorance or carelessness cast blank ballots, for the supreme court decided years ago that such ballots are blanks.

It would seem absolutely necessary for a candidate whose name appears last on the ballot to impress this fact on the voters lest they make a mistake in marking. Mr. Meehan's name came last in the list of mayoralty candidates and there was one line under his name on which the voter might write in the name of anybody he wished to vote for.

Many voters from unsteadiness of hand or thinking that it made no difference, put the cross either on the line at the bottom of the Meehan square or wholly in the square below. In case the cross is on the line, if more than half of it is above the line the vote counts for Meehan. If more than half of it is below the line, it is a blank ballot, although the intent of the voter to vote for Meehan is unquestionable, because there is no name under Meehan's for which the ballot might be counted.

The counters gave Meehan credit for some votes obviously intended for him even though the cross was not exactly in the right place but these were taken from him in the recount.

The candidate whose name is last on the list always loses votes in this way, so that voters have to be careful to guard against this error.

Take the vote cast in the recent democratic caucuses. Mr. O'Donnell's name was the last of several candidates, and just for that he lost 100 votes. The squares for crosses do not stop at the last name, but continue for one space or more to allow voters to write in any name or names they choose if the candidates named are not acceptable to them.

An article dealing with this very question appeared in The Sun on Dec. 4, and the attention of voters was called to the fact that Mr. Meehan's name would appear last on the ballot on election day. The errors in Mr. Meehan's case were not so numerous as in Mr. O'Donnell's and not sufficient to affect his election. The recount will serve mainly to decide a number of pools and bets on the size of the majority by which Meehan defeated his opponent.

IN WARD EIGHT

The Mayor Made a Loss of Six Votes

The tide of the recount for mayor turned this forenoon. The recount was resumed at 9.30, and but two wards remained to be counted—wards eight and nine.

The counters finished with ward eight at about 12.30 and the result was a loss of six votes to the mayor, bringing his net gain down from 17 to 11. He lost five in precinct one and one in precinct three.

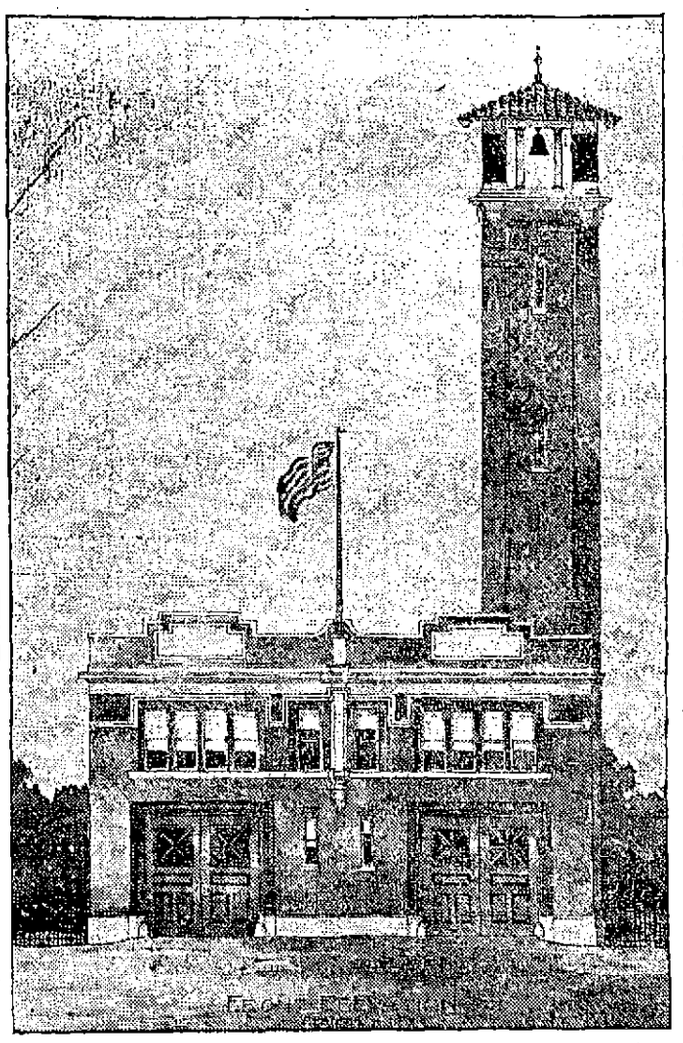
The same ward made a change in favor of Brennen in the aldermanic recount. Greene lost two and Brennen gained one.

For chief of supplies, Peter A. Mackenzie has made a small net gain.

Mainchi L. Jennings, the Boston lawyer who came here to represent the mayor at the recount, did not put in an appearance today.

NEW FIREMEN CHOSEN

Fifteen Permanent and Ten Call Men Appointed



THE NEW FIREHOUSE IN WEST CENTRALVILLE

The Opening of the West Centralville Fire House Made the Increase Necessary — Many Transfers — Lt. Merrill Captain of New Hose Company

Fifteen permanent and ten call firemen were added to the fire department today. Besides the promotion of the callmen to permanent positions, Lieut. Herbert A. Merrill of Truck 2 was promoted to captain of the new Hose company, No. 12, in West Centralville, and Charles Abare, a hoseman on Hose 10, was made lieutenant of Hose 12. Two new men were added to the Protective company in Warren street, six permanent men were transferred and the work of making the number of members to a hose company uniform was inaugurated.

Callmen Made Permanent

The following is a list of the callmen who were made permanent firemen:

Charles F. Stackpole,
Lewis P. Reed,
Charles H. Coggeswell,
Philip F. Mooney,
Thomas F. Saunders,
Harold F. Foster,
Herbert W. Hilliard,
Robert W. B. Sloan,
James A. Shea,
Patrick F. Mahoney,
James O'Hare,
Charles E. Bugbee,
J. J. Donahoe,
John J. McManmon,
Joseph N. Bernier.

The following is a list of the ten callmen appointed.

William F. Egan,
Joseph E. Fontaine,
Edward Landry,
George A. Crawford,
Henry Carpentier,
Edward J. P. Cunningham,
David Laferriere,
Forrest E. Alcott,
John J. Flynn,
Cornelius F. Cronin.

The appointment of 15 additional firemen was made possible by the recommendation of the committee on fire department, the approval of additional money by the committee on appropriations and the passage of the recommendation of the committee on appropriations by the city council.

The increase in the number of permanent men was made necessary by the addition of an extra piece of apparatus at the new fire house in West Centralville, and in order to strengthen some of the companies throughout the city which did not have the full quota of men.

There was considerable anxiety among people both in and out of the fire department over the new appointments, and Chief Hosmer, the engineers and the newspaper offices have been besieged with inquiries for several weeks past as to who the lucky ones were.

The whole matter hinged on the report of the civil service commissioners and it was only this morning that Chief Hosmer received the list from Boston. He immediately started to make up his slate and shortly before noon made his announcements.

Herbert A. Merrill who has been connected with Truck 3 at the central fire station for a long time and who a few years ago was made lieutenant, has been made captain of the new hose company in West Centralville and Charles Abare, who was a hoseman on Hose 10 in Fourth street, has been made a lieutenant of Hose 12 in West Centralville.

List of New Firemen

The following is a list of the new firemen, showing what companies they were attached to as callmen and what companies they are now with as permanent men:

Charles F. Stackpole, remains with Steamer 2.

Lewis P. Read, callman on Steamer 3, to permanent man in the Protective company.

Charles H. Coggeswell, callman on Truck 2, to permanent on Hose 10.

Philip F. Mooney, callman on Hose 11, to permanent on Hose 9.

Thomas F. Saunders, callman on Steamer 6, to permanent on Truck 3.

Harold L. Foster, callman on Steamer 2, to permanent in same company.

Herbert W. Hilliard, callman on Truck 2, to permanent in same company.

Robert W. B. Sloan, callman on Hose 7, to permanent in same company.

James A. Shea, callman on Engine 1, to permanent on Truck 3.

Joseph N. Bernier, callman on Hose 8, to permanent on Hose 12.

Patrick F. Mahoney, callman on Truck 4, to permanent in same company.

James O'Hare, callman on Truck 1, to permanent on Engine 1.

Charles E. Bugbee, callman on Steamer 2, to permanent in same company.

J. J. Donahoe, callman on Truck 1, to permanent on Hose 7.

John J. McManmon, callman on Engine 5, to permanent in same company.

The following is the assignment of the new callmen:

William F. Egan, Hose 12.
Joseph E. Fontaine, Hose 12.
Edward Landry, Hose 12.
George A. Crawford, Engine 2.
Henry Carpentier, Hose 8.
Edward J. P. Cunningham, Engine 6.
David Laferriere, Engine 2.
Forrest E. Alcott, Truck 2.
John J. Flynn, Engine 2.
Cornelius F. Cronin, Truck 4.

The following is a list of the transfer of permanent firemen from one company to another:

J. D. D'Amour, Hose 7 to 12.
G. S. Alcott, Engine 2 to driver of Hose 12.
Patrick O'Loughlin, Truck 3 to Truck 4.
Thomas Conway, protective to Truck 4.

West Centralville Hose Co.

The following is a list of the men now attached to Hose 12, the new hose company at the West Centralville fire house:

Capt. Herbert A. Merrill.
Lieut. Charles Abare.
Joseph N. Bernier.
J. D. D'Amour.
G. S. Alcott, driver.

The appointment of the permanent men has resulted in increasing the number of firemen at the protective company from seven to nine. The automobile protective is expected to arrive in Lowell in about a week and inasmuch as it is equipped with a large chemical tank the members of that company will be known as the flying squadron.

The automobile will respond to every alarm of fire and the members of the company besides covering up property will man the chemical line and assist any company that might be shorthanded.

The fact that the new protective will be one of the first, if not the first, piece of apparatus to arrive at the scene of the different fires and that it will be fitted with a chemical tank the increase in the company membership should result in either extinguishing the fire or keeping it well under control until the chemicals and hose wagons arrive.

Chief Hosmer has started to make the number of permanent firemen in each hose company uniform, that is to say there will be five regular men with each hose wagon. Already hose companies 7, 9 and 12 have the new quota of men.

RULERS KILLED

Three Assassinations In Different Countries

A remarkable series of political assassination of personages high in office is reported today from widely separated points throughout the world.

In Seoul, Korea, the prime minister of the Korean cabinet was stabbed to death with a dagger as an apparent result of the intense feeling in Korea against Japanese influence.

In St. Petersburg the chief of the secret police, Col. Karpoff, was blown to pieces by the explosion of a bomb supposedly thrown by an anarchist.

At Bombay, British India, the chief magistrate of Nalsik, Arthur M. T. Jackson, was assassinated by a native, for revenge and presumably as a part of the seditious movement against British official authority.

In each of the countries the governing authority is menaced by a dangerous element directed against the existing regime.

PREMIER YI STABBED

SEOUL, Korea, Dec. 22.—Premier Yi, the head of the Korean cabinet, was stabbed and fatally wounded today by a Korean, Yie Chaim Yong. The attack occurred at 10 o'clock in the morning. The assailant was a young Christian, who for many years was a resident of the United States. The premier was riding in his jinrickshaw when the assassin came up with a long kitchen knife in his hand. He drove this twice into the abdomen of the premier and once into his lung. The assassin then turned on the premier's jinrickshaw man, whom he stabbed and instantly killed. The assassin immediately was arrested. He is a youth of about 20 years and is believed to be a member of a political society. The premier was removed to the hospital.

Yi was always credited with fostering anti-Japanese sentiment in Korea. He bitterly opposed the faction among the Koreans which favored annexation to Japan, and refused to present a petition for annexation to the Korean emperor.

Notwithstanding Yi's known sentiments in regard to the relations between Japan and Korea, Marquis Ito regarded Yi as an honest and conscientious patriot and refused to listen to the premier's repeated request that he be allowed to resign his office.

It is believed that the assassination is the result of political intrigue.

Premier Yi was formerly minister of education in the Korean cabinet. He became prime minister in May, 1907, when a reconstruction of the cabinet followed a five hour audience that Marquis Ito, the Japanese resident, had with the emperor. Yi was regarded as a firm and competent officer and an opponent of the plans for Japanese annexation. His efforts to carry out his policies met with continued opposition and intrigue. His enemies, it is said, had frequently planned his removal by assassination.

CHIEF MAGISTRATE ATTACKED

BOMBAY, British India, Dec. 22.—Arthur Mason Tippetts Jackson, chief magistrate of Nalsik, in the presidency of Bombay, was assassinated by a native while attending a theatrical performance last night.

The motive for the murder is supposed to have been a wish for revenge upon the magistrate, who had recently sentenced a criminal to life imprisonment. Nalsik is a hotbed of sedition. Jackson had been in the Indian service since 1888.

BLOWN TO PIECES

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—Col. Karpoff, chief of the secret police of St. Petersburg, was assassinated early today. He was enticed to a modest apartment in a remote street of the Vliborg district and there was blown to pieces by a bomb, exploded supposedly by his host, one Michael Vosskressensky, who had leased the rooms a few days before.

The murderer rushed into the street following the explosion and was captured. An assistant of Karpoff who accompanied him was severely injured.

Karpoff was appointed from Baku where he had been chief of the secret police. There have been several convictions of bomb-makers recently.

A GREAT VICTORY

Scored by Gen'l Estrada's Army at Rama, Nicaragua

BLUEFIELDS, Dec. 22.—Gen. Estrada has won a complete victory over the government troops at Rama. A total of six hundred men of both armies were killed or wounded. Nineteen hundred of Zelaya's men have surrendered, including Gen. Gonzales, who was in command. Two Americans are reported killed.

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POLICE BOARD

An Officer Suspended for Irregularity

Patrolman Samuel J. Bigelow was found guilty of violating rule 19 of the police manual at a meeting of the board of police held last night and was suspended for seven days. The complaint against the patrolman was signed by Supt. Redmond Welch and alleged that he failed to report at police quarters at the proper time after having completed his night's work. The accused admitted that he had violated the rule.

A hearing of the complaint against Anastasias Houtzear, whose coffee house was raided in Market street several weeks ago and a number of men arrested for gambling and subsequently convicted in the police court, was scheduled to be heard but at the request of Daniel J. Donahue, counsel for the respondent, the hearing was postponed for one week.

Licenses were granted as follows: Pool and billiards, John Vlahakos, 485 Market street; common victualler, Robert Crawford, 626 1/2 Merrimack street; express, Lactance Gaudette, North Chelmsford; job wagon, Fred H. Ethier, 111 Lakeview avenue; transfer of sixth class liquor license of Clarence H. Upton of the Hall & Lyon Co. for two more rear doors; hawker and peddler, Maurice Soloski, 18 Daly street; renewal of theatre licenses, John T. Shannon, resident manager of Hathaway theatre; Elmer E. Elsworth, 230 Central street, Alhambra theatre; Ralph T. Ward, 349 Central street, Opera House; shooting gallery, Thomas F. Hennessey, 243 Central street; Bowl-away Amusement Co., 241 Central street, Thos. F. Hennessey, treasurer; La Scala theatre, 245 Central street; auctioneer, Frank J. Green, Chelmsford Centre.

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INJURIES FATAL

Man Knocked Down by a Runaway

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Peter McDonald, aged 65, of 4 Bunker Hill street, Charlestown, for 16 years an employe of the street cleaning department, was struck by a runaway horse on Warren avenue, near Front street, Charlestown, shortly before 2 yesterday afternoon and suffered injuries from which he died at the relief hospital less than an hour later.

Mr. McDonald was at his work when the horse attached to an express wagon bore down upon him. Shouts of those near him turned his attention toward the runaway and he attempted to get out of the way, but was struck with great force and thrown to the pavement. He was assisted to a doorstep and a call was sent for the relief hospital ambulance in which the injured man was taken to the hospital.

The horse and express wagon are owned by Hupperich & Co. of Forest Hills. The horse was feeding at the Boston & Maine freight house, Warren avenue, when it took fright.

Mr. McDonald is survived by a son, Frank McDonald of 22 Trenton street, Charlestown, and a married daughter. He was a familiar figure in and around City square, Charlestown, where he worked many years on crossings and was well liked for his pleasant greetings and kindly disposition.

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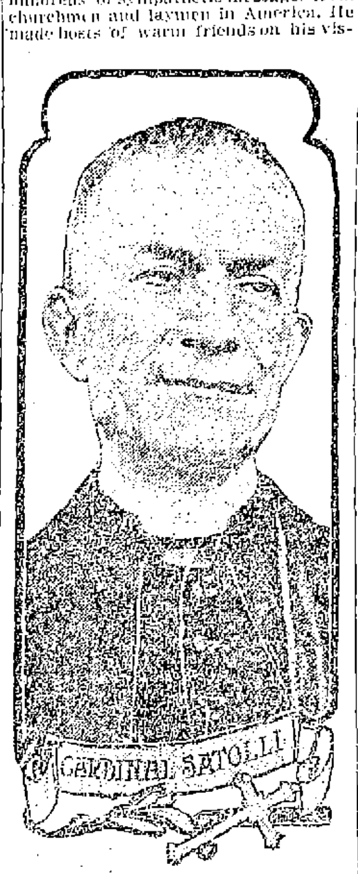
FAMOUS PRELATE

Who is Seriously Ill in Rome

ROME, Dec. 22.—Cardinal Satolli, who is ill in Rome, is in receipt of hundreds of sympathetic messages from churchmen and laymen in America. He made hosts of warm friends on his visits to this country. The cardinal is suffering from nephritis and the principal alarm over his condition is due to the weakness of his heart. He has not been in the best of health for more than a year, but until recently his illness was not regarded as serious. He was born in 1839. Archbishop Ireland recently paid his respects to the cardinal in a glowing eulogy. He also sent a message of sympathy to the venerable prelate.



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LARGE INCREASE

In Our Trade With Central America

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Trade between South America and the United States in 1909 will exceed all previous records, with a total of nearly 260 million dollars, against 235 millions in 1907 and 129 millions in 1899. Of this total of 260 millions, 175 millions is the estimated total of imports from, and 85 millions that of exports to South America.

Imports from South America in the calendar year 1909 show an increase of nearly 50 per cent. over those of last year, and the full year's record will probably exceed by 25 million dollars that of 1906, until now the banner year in our imports from South America. In the 10 months for which detailed information has reached the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor, imports from South America aggregated 143 million dollars, compared with 101 millions in a like period of 1908, 126 millions in 1907, and 113 millions in 1906.

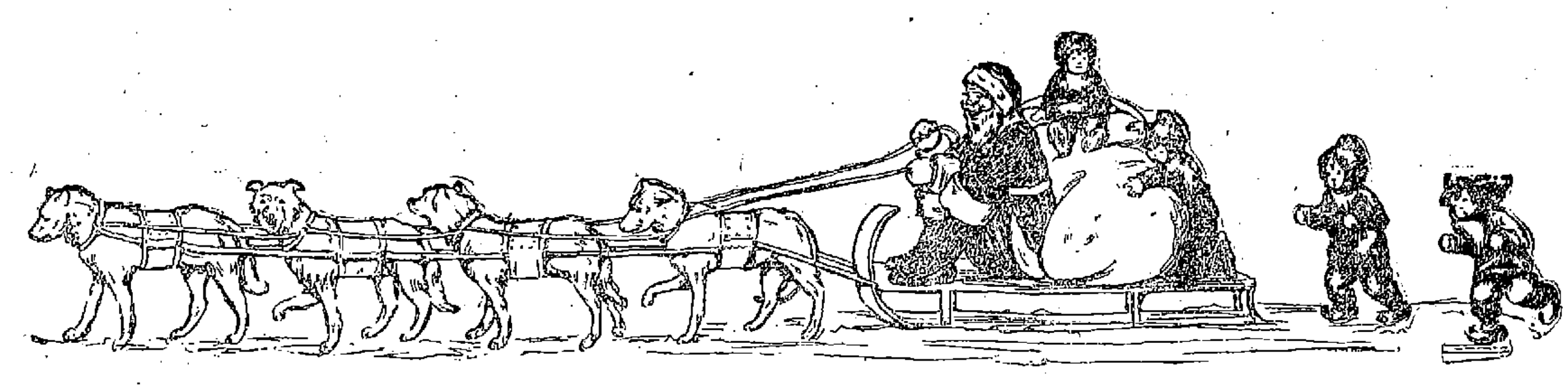
The South American countries participating most largely in the import trade of the United States, stated in the order of importations in 10 months of the present year, are: Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, Uruguay, Ecuador, Dutch Guiana, British Guiana, French Guiana, Paraguay, and Bolivia. From Bolivia our nominal imports are practically nil by reason of its inland location. In the 10 months ending with October of the years named, imports from Brazil increased from 58 1/2 million dollars in 1908 to 82 millions in 1909; Argentina, from 19 1-3 millions to 22 1/2 millions; Chile, from 10 1/2 millions to 13 millions; Venezuela, from 6 millions to 7 millions; Uruguay, from 1 1/4 millions to 4 millions; and those from Ecuador, from 1 3/4 millions to 2 1/2 millions, while imports from Peru for both periods aggregated about 5 millions.

Coffee is the largest item of importation from South America, the value imported in the 10 months of 1909 having been 81 million dollars, against 45 millions in the same months of the preceding year; while the articles next in importance are: India rubber, 32 million dollars in 1909, against 17 millions in a like period of 1908; hides of cattle, 13 million dollars, compared with 6 millions last year; wool, 8 million dollars, compared with 3 1/2 millions last year; goat skins, 4 million dollars, against less than 3 millions last year; cacao and cocoa, crude, 3 2-3 million dollars, practically the same value as that for the 10 months of the preceding year; copper pigs, bars, etc., 3 1/2 million dollars, a decrease of about $200,000 compared with last year; and copper ore and mattes, 2 million dollars, compared with 1 million dollars last year; while other articles showing each a total of less than 1 million dollars of importations in the 10-month period of 1909 include raw cotton, 733 thousand dollars; sugar, 625 thousand; and bananas, 329 thousand dollars.

South America furnishes about eight-ninths of the coffee supply of the United States, the total imports of coffee into the country during the 10 months of 1909 having been 845 million pounds, valued at 64 million dollars, of which 745 million pounds, valued at 54 million dollars came from South America, Brazil's share alone being 619 million pounds. Brazil is the largest single source of supply for rubber imported into the United States, furnishing nearly one-half of the 73 million pounds imported in the 10 months of 1909 under review, the remainder chiefly from Mexico, Africa, and the East Indies. Of the 58 million pounds of goat skins imported into the United States in 10 months of 1909, 1 2-3 millions were from Brazil and 1 1-3 from other South America; while of the total imports of cattle hides, aggregating 208 million pounds in the period under discussion, Brazil's share was but 2 2-3 million pounds out of a total importation of 89 millions from all South America. Of the 271 million pounds of wool imported during the 10 months of 1909, 34 1/4 millions was clothing wool from Argentina, 4 1-3 millions clothing wool from other South America, and 7 millions carpet wool from that continent.

Exports to South America in 1909 will approximate if not actually equal the high record total of 86 millions made in the calendar year 1907. For the 10 months under review the total is 67 1-2 millions, against 71 millions in 1907. Comparing 10 months exports in 1909 with those of a like period of [illegible] exports to Brazil increased from 14 million dollars to 16 millions; those to Argentina, from 28 millions to 29 millions; to Chile, from 4 1-2 millions to 5 1-2 millions; Uruguay, from 2 3-4 millions to 3 1-3 millions; and those to Venezuela, from nearly 2 millions to a little over 2 millions.

Manufactures supply by far the larger proportion of the exports to So. America, while raw materials and food stuffs supply most of the imports from that continent. Exports of illuminating oil to South America showed in the 10 months of 1909 a total of 6 million dollars; boards, etc., 5 3-4 millions; agricultural implements, 5 millions; cotton cloth, scientific instruments, rails, wire and hardware, each about 2 millions; and naval stores, twine, sewing machines, upper leather, lubricating oil, lard, locomotives, cars and carriages, cotton seed oil, furniture, electrical machinery, and typewriters ranging downward from 1 million to $500,000 each.



ONLY THREE DAYS REMAIN to do whatever you have planned for Christmas. A single day spent right here will accomplish more than a week spent in a half dozen places. Ready-to-Wear Goods are the most acceptable gifts, especially after the past year of small salary roll and economy. That's where we are strong. Everything for man, woman or child, and at prices that satisfy.

His Christmas Gifts Cost Less Here

Choosing Suitable Gifts for Him is an Easy Matter Here.

Men's Neckwear, knitted and plain four-in-hands, thousands of patterns and superb colored effects; the plain colors, also figures, cross and bias stripes. Each tie in a beautiful Christmas box .... 24c to $1

Bow Ties put up in pretty box 15c

Christmas Suspenders, in fancy boxes, also combination sets including suspenders, garters and armlets to match or suspenders and four-in-hand Tie to match .... 24c and 48c

Men's Gloves, all our higher grade street and driving gloves, prettily boxed, make acceptable gifts .... 98c to $4.50

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, splendid variety of fancy and plain colors, with or without initial .... 24c and 42c

Men's Handkerchiefs, a good gift at a small investment, fine cambric and linen, hemstitched, plain or initial. 12 1-2c to 48c

Jewelry—Every man uses a pair of Cuff Links, many use Pins also. We have prettily boxed sets including links and pin to match, at .... 24c and 48c

Mufflers, fancy weave Phoenix Mufflers and plaid handkerchief mufflers, also in silk and cassimere. Put up in a box .... 48c to $3

Dainty Handkerchiefs

Beautiful Handkerchiefs, in boxes, six pure linen embroidered handkerchiefs, in pretty holiday boxes, per box $1.50

Six Dainty Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, in boxes, the daintiest kind of a gift for Christmas, at per box .... 50c and 75c

Six Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, in pretty box, ready to send as a gift, at per box 75c

Six Cross Barred Initial Handkerchiefs, in fancy Christmas boxes, at per box 43c

Beautiful Lace Handkerchiefs, now on display for the holidays, at each 12 1-2c

Embroidered Handkerchiefs, dainty designs, very special at 12 1-2c

Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in fancy edge or hemmed, 100 patterns to select from, each 10c

Fancy Embroidered Xmas Handkerchiefs .... 10c Each

Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered corner .... 10c Each

Lace Edge Handkerchiefs, embroidered or cross bar, scalloped edge with corner embroidered in colors .... 5c Each

Children's Handkerchiefs, three in fancy box, white or colored border, per box 19c

Children's Initial Handkerchiefs, three in box 25c

Aprons As Gifts

Ladies' Tea Aprons, in dotted Swiss, with embroidered ruffle 48c

Cross Bar Tea Aprons, in assorted checks, with fine embroidered ruffle 48c

Square Tea Aprons, with val. or hamburg insertion and ruffle, extra wide ties. 48c

Bretelle Tea Aprons, in plain or dotted Swiss with hamburg bretelles and long ties 48c, 69c

Long Aprons in Bretelle, with hamburg bretelles in bib 48c

Bretelle Aprons, in plain muslin, with fancy embroidered bib 24c

Dotted Swiss and Plain Lawn Tea Aprons, in square or round, extra fine quality. 24c

Long, Plain White Skirt Aprons, can be worn either side, two widths 48c

Long Aprons, with insertion and cluster hemstitched tuck and long ties 48c

Something for Baby

Infants' Moccasins, with rosettes in plain white and white with blue or pink trimmings 25c

Infants' Booties, in quilted satin, bear skin and Chamois, red, pink, blue, white and Dresden .... 24c, 48c and 98c

Pretty Box, containing a pair of infants' silk hose and white moccasins, very useful and pretty 98c

Bearskin Bonnets, in all the latest shades, finished with cord and satin ribbon. 48c to 69c

Felt Bonnets, in the Dutch effect, trimmed with pink or blue satin lace ruching. 95c

Infants' Knit Sacques or Kimonas, in white trimmed with blue or pink 48c

Infants' Long Kimonas, in flannel, white, trimmed with Persian colors 48c

Ladies' Neckwear and Corset Covers

Fancy Net Jabot and Silk Collar, put up in fancy Christmas boxes. An exceptional gift at 98c

Stock or Jabot Collars, all shades, ornamented with gilt and Persian braid, put up in fancy box 48c

Stock Collars, with or without jabots, trimmed with fancy braid, spangles and ruchings, boxed in handsome Christmas boxes 24c

Corset Covers in fancy box, real lace trimmings on back and front, three rows of ribbon 48c

Persian Lawn Corset Covers, very fine embroidery, two rows ribbon with bows, prettily boxed 75c

Fine Batiste Corset Covers, lace and medallion trimmed. These are put up in fine Christmas box 95c

Christmas Jewelry

Ladies' Fancy Pins, three in a box .... 48c a Set

Babies' Initial Pins, two in a fancy box 48c

Brooch Pins, in assorted stones and brilliants 48c

Newest Styles in Brooch Pins, assorted stones 24c

Hat Pins, in all newest designs, put up in a holly box, 24c and 48c

Men's Cuff Links, in old gold or oxidized silver .... 48c a Pair

Cuff Links and Scarf Pins, all the latest styles. Prettily boxed .... 48c a Pair

Kimonas and Dressing Sacques

Ladies' Long Flannelette Kimonas, with shirred back, rolled collar, button on sides, panel front, satin trimmed. Regular value $3.98 .... $2.96

Long Kimonas of Flannelette, with high or Dutch neck, plain or side tucked, with belt, extra full. Regular value 98c, 79c

Dressing Sacques, with empire or shirred back, in all the newest shades, ribbon trimmed, ribbon ties. Regular value $1.98 .... $1.48

Dressing Sacques in German flannelette, extra heavy, with sailor collar or turned down collar and rolled cuffs, shirred or box plaited back, ribbon trimmed. Regular value $1.25 .... 95c

Dressing Sacques or Short Kimonas in high neck, fancy colors, fitted waist line or belt. Regular value 59c 47c

Dressing Sacques in black and white figure, silver gray or navy blue. Regular value 50c 39c

FULL LINE OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS 5c AND 10c

Fancy BELTS

Ladies' Fancy Mercerized Belts, in light blue, green, navy or black, with fancy buckle. 24c

Ladies' Silk or Satin Embroidered Belts, in all the newest shades, buckles to match 48c

Fancy Dresden Elastic Belts, with beautiful jeweled buckles 98c and $1.50

Special!

All 98c Corset Covers . . . 69c

All prettily boxed. Won't last long at this price.

Ladies' 12 1-2c Initial Handkerchiefs 10c

Initial handkerchiefs are ideal gifts. Sold 6 in a box, at 60c a box.

UMBRELLAS As Gifts

Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas, made of fine twilled cloth, natural wood and fancy handles 98c

Fine Mercerized Twill and Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, ladies' and men's sizes, plain or fancy handles, $1.48 and $2

Fine Grade Taffeta Silk and All Silk Umbrellas, gold trimmed handles, for ladies and men, $3, $4, $5

DOLLS

Importer's sample line closed out, latest style dressed dolls, some silk and some satin dresses, worth $1.25 and $2.50. Priced at 98c

J. L. CHALIFOUX

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DOLLS

Big line of jointed sleeping dolls, silk, satin and wash dresses, also kid body dolls and wool dolls .... 24c and 49c

LEFT TO CHARITY

Sum of $27,000 to Be Distributed

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Nine Catholic institutions of Boston will receive substantial Christmas gifts in cash as the result of the first distribution of the residue of the estate of the late John J. Finnigan, a prominent real estate man of the city. Thomas F. Reddy, executor of the will, last night announced he would distribute $27,000 among the institutions before Christmas day.

PINCHOT'S PREDICTION

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 22.—Gifford Pinchot, one of the principals in the Pinchot-Ballinger dispute over the government's conservation service, declared last night before the Cleveland chamber of commerce that unless congress takes some action and takes it in this present session, "the old system of giving away water power sites in perpetuity will be resumed."

Pinchot did not mention Secretary Ballinger. In reviewing the question of the existence of water power combines and monopolies, he said:

"The worst of it is that these consolidations continue without any sort of government control. I am careful not to say that there is a single great water power trust, because I don't believe there is—now. Some of these days there will be."

Think!

That as a matter of dollars and cents, you cannot afford to use any other milk because facts and figures both prove that Hood Farm milk is cheaper than any other.

Think what good fortune it is to the citizens of Lowell to be able to obtain such a superior quality of milk, cream and butter as Hood Farm delivers.

A lady said to Mr. Hood: "The milk from your farm is perfectly delicious. I wish I could afford to use it all the time." He replied, "You cannot afford to use any other because of its superior richness in fat and solids." She said: "Well, I never thought of that." And she has used Hood Farm milk ever since.

Why don't you try it for a week or two? 'Phone the Farm, 516-4. Delivered in most parts of the city at 10 cents a quart.

HOOD FARM, Lowell, Mass.

KING'S FUNERAL

Throngs of People Crowd Into Brussels

BRUSSELS, Dec. 22.—Throngs are arriving from all parts of Belgium and points outside to attend the funeral of the late King Leopold and the accession of Prince Albert to the throne. The demand for cards of admission to the church and parliament exceeds the supply by many thousands while a small army of foreign newspaper representatives are vainly clamoring for journalistic privileges.

The foreign princes, missions and delegations have reached here. Prince Albert personally met the Duke of Connaught, Prince Henry of Prussia and Prince Ferdinand of Rumania.

An extraordinary feature at the palace is the wealth of floral offerings from all parts of the world. The grand staircase and halls have been transformed into exquisite flower gardens. Princess Louise, carrying a bunch of orchids, yesterday visited and prayed long beside the coffin of her father.

There is a rumor that the stock company to which the king turned over most of his private property is about to dissolve, on the ground that its organization was illegal. It is authoritatively stated, however, that this rumor is unfounded and that the company will continue to exist and will contest to the end the suits brought by Princess Louise and Princess Stephanie.

BIG AVIATION MEET

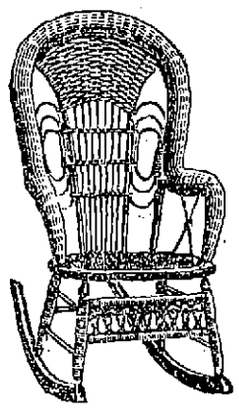
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Thirty-seven heavier than air craft have been entered for the January Los Angeles aviation meet. This is equal to the total number of entries of this class at Rheims, France. It is believed that the total when entries close on Thursday will be 42.

Dominguez ranch, near Compton, probably will be the scene of the meet.

TO COACH NAVY ELEVEN

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 22.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Navy Athletic association last night, Lieut. F. D. Berrin was reappointed head coach of the navy football squad for next year.

Nelson's Colonial Store



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Rattan Rockers

At $3.25

At this price you can buy a large Comfort Rocker with full roll arm and back. Colors, green, brown and natural.

FOURTH FLOOR.

RATTAN ROCKER	RATTAN ROCKER
Natural Color	Natural Color
$2.39	**$2.69**
Special Value.	Unusual Offering.

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Hundreds of satisfied customers, an ever increasing business and the fact that our old customers take pleasure in recommending us to their friends is proof not only that our treatment is the fairest but that we give you **The Lowest Rates—The Best Service—The Easiest Terms.**
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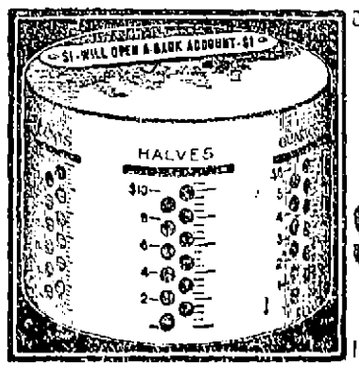

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Give each of the children a

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FOR CHRISTMAS

INTEREST BEGINS JAN. 1st.

POLICE CALLED

Trouble at a Storrow Rally

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Congressman John A. Keliher was hissed from the stage and was not allowed to speak at a rally in South Boston last night in the first disturbance to mark the local mayoralty campaign. Other speakers were also refused the right to speak and eventually a special detail of police was called by the supporters of Candidate James J. Storrow. Among the speakers, besides Mr. Storrow were Congressman Keliher, Rep. E. T. J. Noonan, Jas. H. Donovan and Attorney James Auerbach. All of the speakers were driven from the stage by hisses and the uproar, with the exception of Mr. Storrow, who spoke briefly but could not make himself heard to any extent.

The South Boston section is generally held to be a stronghold of Candidate Fitzgerald who has been freely criticized by the speakers in Candidate Storrow's following during the past week.

Prescott hall to let Sat. evenings.

U. S. STEEL CO.

Offers More Stock to Its Employes

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The finance committee of the U. S. Steel corporation has voted to offer the employes of the corporation the opportunity of subscribing to its preferred stock at $125 a share. In addition, a bonus of $1,000,000 in common and preferred will shortly be divided, each employe having the choice of common stock at 90 or preferred at 124, or a proportion of both.

This is the highest price at which the preferred has been offered to the employes since the company's profit-sharing plan went into effect in 1903. The subscription price of the stock last year was $110 a share. Yesterday it closed on the stock exchange at 124⅞.

Since the profit-sharing plan was instituted, the employes have subscribed in all for 15,000 shares of common and 193,493 shares of preferred for which they have paid $17,475,000. At present prices, their investment shows a paper profit of $8,525,000.

T. P. O'CONNOR

Was Given a Farewell Dinner

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—W. Bourke Cockran and Justice Martin J. Keogh of the state supreme court gave a farewell dinner at the Lotus club last night to T. P. O'Connor, the Irish leader and member of the British parliament, who will return to England today, after a visit to this country in the interest of home rule for Ireland. Fifty-one guests sat down to table, among them William J. Gaynor, mayor-elect.

HEAVY DAMAGE

Fire in After-hold of Steamer

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Fire in the afterhold of the steamship Harry Luckenbach, of the insular line, last night resulted in the sinking of the steamer and her cargo of 45,000 bags of sugar at her pier in the Erie basin, South Brooklyn. The damage is estimated at between $150,000 and $175,000.

"LITTLE TIM"

PROMINENT NEW YORK ALDERMAN IS DYING

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Alderman Timothy P. Sullivan, affectionately known south of 14th street as "Little Tim," to distinguish him from his cousin, Timothy D. Sullivan (Big Tim), the state senator, is dying. He has been ill for some time and a week ago was critically seized.

Mr. Sullivan has a complication of diseases.

NOVEMBER EXPORTS

November exports, which exceed by 20 per cent. those of November last year, are shown in some detail by a special statement just prepared by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor. It shows the value of 50 principal articles exported in November and the 11 months ending with November, 1909, compared with corresponding periods of last year. Of the 31¾ million dollars' increase, 16 millions, or over one-half, occurs in cotton; yet the quantity of cotton exported in November is materially less than in November of last year. The quantity of cotton exported in November, 1909, was 562 million pounds valued at 79 million dollars, and in November of last year the quantity exported was 691 million pounds valued at 63 million dollars. The average price of cotton exported in November was 14.3c. per pound, against 9.1c. in November, 1908, an increase of 57 per cent. in price. Another marked characteristic of the statement is that nearly all foodstuffs show a falling off. In the 11 months ending with November, wheat exports were but 47 million dollars against 87 millions in the same period of last year; flour, 44 millions, against 56 millions in 1908; bacon, 21¼ millions, against 26 millions last year; hams and shoulders, 20 millions, against 22½ millions last year; fresh beef, 9 millions, against 14½ millions last year; and cattle, 14 millions, against 22 1-3 millions in the corresponding period of last year.

AN ANCIENT LAW

May Have Bearing on Middleboro Case

MIDDLEBORO, Dec. 22.—A law enacted in 1698, and which is still on the statute books of Massachusetts, had a bearing on a case in the district court yesterday. Judge Washburn observed that it was about time some of the old laws were removed from the books and working ones substituted.

Robert Slesser was in court charged with the larceny of a dog valued at $75 from Harrison W. Atwood. Atwood said his dog disappeared about the middle of November, and three weeks later it was found at Slesser's house. He talked with Slesser about its return and Slesser wanted $5 charges.

Mr. Atwood then consulted the police and Slesser was arrested after a lively scene had been enacted at his farm, incidental to which a revolver was pulled by Chief Swift, after Slesser, it is alleged, sent his son home to the house to get his shotgun.

Slesser claimed he advertised the finding of the dog in a local paper and showed copies of the ad. He contended that he should receive pay for his trouble. In looking up the law Judge Washburn found that in addition to the newspaper advertising Slesser should have filed a description of the dog with the town clerk and should have also posted the description in two public places. This was not done.

Judge Washburn said probably 90 of every 100 people in town would have considered the newspaper advertising sufficient, and he thought Slesser acted in good faith.

Slesser was denied compensation and discharged. The dog was taken on a search warrant by Chief Swift and is now in possession of his owner.

Judge Washburn also called attention to the fact that Atwood was liable for not having the collar on his dog marked with the license number and the owner's name.

LARGE JUDGMENT

Against the City of Boston

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—One of the largest judgments ever entered against the city of Boston was given by agreement of the parties concerned in the Suffolk county court yesterday when an award of $556,410 damages and $10 costs was made by Judge Simeon F. Baldwin of Connecticut and Evelyn MacCurdy, trustees of the will of Edward F. Salisbury, and as such owners of the property at the northeast corner of Washington and Summer streets. A portion of the property was taken by the transit commission for use as an entrance to the Summer street station of the subway.

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After Typhoid or other wasting diseases or low fevers.

Require a pure, gentle, invigorating stimulant and tonic to aid digestion, stimulate and enrich the blood and to give new strength to body and brain. Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey is invaluable as a tonic when you are run down and depressed; when the heart is weak and the blood sluggish, it builds new tissue. It assists failing nature to resume its functions, insures refreshing sleep and imparts vim and energy to every part of the body. It invigorates the brain.

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Be sure you get the genuine—imitations are impure and dangerous. Refuse substitutes.

All druggists and grocers, or direct, $1.00 a bottle. Write us if you are sick, it will cost you nothing to learn how to treat yourself. Medical booklet and testimonials sent free.

Duffy Malt Whiskey Co., Rochester, N.Y.

BAD TEETH BREED GERMS

Why good health depends upon good teeth and a clean mouth was explained by Dr. Samuel A. Hopkins at the Boston Young Men's Christian Union.

"Badly neglected teeth in childhood is felt through the entire life of the individual," said Dr. Hopkins.

"Nearly all the disease germs find lodgment and development in the human mouth."

"The spread of contagion is largely through drinking cups or eating utensils."

"Proper care of the mouth and teeth will go far in limiting the spread of contagious diseases."

"Cases of anaemia and physical and mental disability in children can be frequently traced to broken down or lost teeth."

"Disease of the eyes and ears arise from diseased teeth.

"Many cases of tuberculosis owe their development of the germs in the mouth."

"The pneumonia germs are present in perhaps twenty per cent. of the mouths."

Why not attend to your teeth immediately. Neglect may be the cause of much suffering. The methods of modern dentistry have simplified what was formerly a severe ordeal, so that now with the **OBTUNDINE SYSTEM OF PAINLESS DENTISTRY** anyone can with only slight inconvenience have teeth filled, crowned or extracted. Come and have your teeth examined. **DR. GAGNON,** 466 Merrimack Street, opp. Tilden Street.

SHOT HIMSELF

Act Was Prompted By Love Affair

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—A man who gave his name as William Ellenwood, left the outward bound Boston train at Montreal West, the first station out of Montreal, last evening, and standing on the station platform, shot himself several times. The act, he stated, was prompted by a love affair. In his pocket was found a photograph bearing the words "Miss Terry, Hanover, Mass."

He is in a critical condition.

OFFICERS ELECTED

BY L'ASSOCIATION CATHOLIQUE LAST EVENING

L'Association Catholique held its election of officers last evening with the following results: President, Geo. E. Poirier; vice-president, Xavier Delisle; recording secretary, Henri Dalgie; assistant recording secretary, Eugenie Lemire; corresponding secretary, Alderic Tellier; treasurer, Joseph L. Lamoureux; financial secretary, Napoleon M. Lozeau; assistant financial secretary, Eugene Savard; first marshal, Joseph Payette; second marshal, Adelard St. Jean; librarian, Arthur Lussier; directors, Ubald Racette, Henri Simard, Louis St. Jean; interior guard, Eugene Boudreau; exterior guard, Pierre T. Beauregad; medical examiner, Dr. D. S. Bellehumeur.

The chaplain of the association is Rev. Fr. Ouellette, O. M. I.

Rev. Fr. Wattelle, O. M. I., superior of St. Joseph's parish, has accepted the association's invitation to be present Jan. 4 at the installation of these new officers. A committee was appointed last night to prepare an entertaining program for the occasion.

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CHARMING PARTY

IN COLONIAL HALL LAST EVENING

A pretty social affair was held in Colonial hall last evening, about 200 members of the younger set being present. The hall was decorated with firs, holly, crimson lights and palms. Many college boys and college girls were in attendance.

Those who gave the dance were the Misses Marjorie Fish, Katherine Tucke, Helen Nesmith, Louise Parker, Dorothy Webster, Eugenia Meigs, Madge Hockmeyer and Elizabeth Wilder. As matrons for the evening the mothers of the young ladies were in the receiving line.

The ushers were Messrs. Allan Parker, Charles Bartlett, Hutchins Parker, Foster Ellingwood, Edward Tucke, Parker Tucke, Joseph Meigs, Clive Hockmeyer, Henry Wilder, Jack Parker, Harry Challoux, George Jefferson, Ernest Serlbner and Walter Lurfee.

PIU ETA CLUB

FORMED BY POPULAR YOUNG PEOPLE

A number of young ladies and young men met last evening at the home of Miss Catherine Donahue and formed a club which will be known as the Piu Eta club. The following officers were elected: President, John McDermott; secretary, Catherine Donahue; treasurer, Josephine Rohan. After the meeting, refreshments were served and a musical program was enjoyed.

PHILATHEA CLASS

MET WITH MRS. J. CLARK GLIDDEN

The Philathea class of St. Paul's M. E. church met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. J. Clark Glidden. Routine monthly business was transacted. It was voted to make a gift to the Salvation Army and to the Sunday school. Mrs. Daniel Light, in behalf of the class, presented Mrs. Glidden a beautiful pair of brass candlesticks, and Miss Florence Rowell, in behalf of the class, presented the class president, Miss Grace Pearley, a bouquet of pinks. After a social hour that was much enjoyed, the meeting adjourned.

GREEK PREMIER

DID HIS UTMOST TO PREVENT A CRISIS

ATHENS, Dec. 22.—The minister of war, Col. Lapathiotis, presented his resignation to the premier yesterday afternoon. The premier did his utmost to avert a crisis, and the Military league strongly urged the minister to withdraw his resignation, which he eventually did.

Col. Lapathiotis' action was the outcome of a scene in the chamber of deputies Monday, when the war minister in submitting the army reorganization bill attacked the administration of ex-Premier Theotokis. The supporters of the ex-premier protested and left the chamber in a body. Later M. Theotokis made a demand upon Premier Mavromichalis for the war minister's resignation, declaring that a majority of the chamber would abstain from taking part in the sittings unless his demand was complied with.

NEW ENGLAND SOCIETY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The New England society of Brooklyn heard the chief orator at their annual banquet last night portray the Puritan as an imperfect man. In the absence of Sen. Wm. E. Borah of Idaho, Justice Wendell Phillips Stafford of the supreme court of the District of Columbia delivered the leading address.

NO DECISION GIVEN

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 22.—Pugilism was revived in Milwaukee last night, after a lapse of more than a year. The star bout of the evening was a 10 round go between Bob Moha of Milwaukee and Harry Mansfield of England, welterweights. No decision was given. Both were strong at the finish but Moha seemed to have a shade the better on points.

MONOPLANE FLIGHT

HAMMONDSPORT, N. Y., Dec. 22.—What is said to be the first successful flight with a monoplane in America was made here yesterday by A. L. Partzner, a member of the Aero club of America. Partzner flew about 750 feet at a height of from 15 to 20 feet, but made a bad landing damaging the trucks of the monoplane.

CAUSED A PANIC

Fire Broke Out in Insane Hospital

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Dec. 22.—Fire in the Central hospital for the insane here last night destroyed the north wing of the institution, threatened destruction of other portions and for hours caused panic among nearly 1500 insane men and women. When the fire broke out in the north annex about 8.30 o'clock some of the insane patients escaped but the asylum authorities soon had an organized system for removal of patients from the burning wing to another portion of the hospital. The fire burned fiercely and the local fire department fought it tenaciously until at 10.30 o'clock it was under control.

The patients rescued from the burning section were escorted by guards and volunteers to the south wing. The ferocity of the fire, however, so alarmed the patients all through the asylum that the situation was most threatening and citizens of Jacksonville appealed for help.

Several of the men and women who escaped while being transferred from the burning portion were captured before they could reach the streets surrounding the asylum grounds, others were found in the outlying portions of the city. Some women were found, thinly clad, sitting on curbstones half a mile from the asylum and taken back to the institution.

Dr. H. F. Carriel, superintendent of the institution last night said that so far as he knew no lives were lost and that all the inmates were safe. The fire, he said, was confined to the north wing of the north annex and that the female patients did not escape, but were removed to the south annex.

The property loss is $15,000. The cause of the fire is not known.

MAYOR HIBBARD

Asked Appointment of Favorites

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Vernon E. Skinner, penal institutions' commissioner, admitted at a hearing on conditions at the Deer Island penal institution before the finance commission late yesterday, that one of the men holding a prominent position at Deer Island was addicted to drink and that men were appointed to positions at the island on recommendations of the mayor's office and aldermen without special inquiry being made into the qualifications. The commissioner named all but three of the board of aldermen as having urged the appointment of favorites, as well as the mayor and his secretary.

ICE CREAM FOR XMAS

Bulk $1.00 per gallon, vanilla, strawberry, chocolate and coffee. Brick cream $1.25 per gallon, coffee with filberts $1.25 per gallon, frozen pudding $2.00 per gallon, packed and delivered on time. Henry Bros., 32 Andover street. Tel. 1812.

DR. DUDLEY DEAD

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 22.—Dr. Chas. B. Dudley, chief chemist for the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., died last night of typhoid pneumonia, aged 68 years. Dr. Dudley was one of the most prominent scientists in the country.

KILLED HIMSELF

Man Jumped in Front of Train

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Uttering a hysterical scream, a young, well dressed man jumped from the platform of the Winter street station of the Washington street subway last night and was ground to pieces under the wheels of an approaching southbound train. The man was apparently about 20 years of age. He had been pacing up and down the station for nearly half an hour. Medical Examiner George B. McGrath was unable to find anything by which to learn the man's identity.

FRANK KLAUS

WON THE DECISION OVER JIM FLYNN

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—By continued aggressiveness and consistent work throughout, Frank Klaus of Pittsburg, Pa., won the decision over Jim Flynn of Boston in 12 rounds of hard slugging at the Armory Athletic association last night. Flynn secured but four of the 12 rounds, when he sent straight lefts to the face which slowed the Pittsburg boy. In the rest of the bout Klaus forced Flynn about the ring with right and left swings to the jaw.

In the preliminaries, Max Baker of Boston defeated Billy Nixon of Cambridge in eight rounds and Jack Williams of Cambridge defeated Tommy Hall of Boston in six rounds.

HUESTON DEFEATED ALLEN

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Tom Hueston of St. Louis, Mo., world's pool champion, won the first leg of the world's championship pool match which started here last night, defeating Benjamin Allen of Kansas City, Mo., 206 to 185.

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SENT TO PRISON

Boys Found Guilty of Holding up Aged Man

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Heavy sentences were imposed upon four boys accused of robbery by Judge Wait in the criminal session of the superior court yesterday. His honor gave notice that he would serve some time in that session, and he intended to deal heavily with offenders of this class. He said offences of this sort by boys must stop.

Edgar J. Stafford, 20 years old, was given a term of eight to ten years in state prison; Herbert Cassavant, 16, was sent to the same institution for a term of four to six years. Roy Ash, 15, and John Barrett, aged 16, were each sent to the reformatory for definite sentences of five years and six months.

The four were implicated in the robbery of Edward Randall, 70 years old, a storekeeper at 776 Tremont street, in the evening of Nov. 22. Cassavant went into the store and held up the old man at the point of a revolver and then stole $300 from the safe. The other three waited outside.

Special Officer Irwin arrested the defendants. All four pleaded guilty. They met in Pie alley. Ash left his home in North Weymouth, where he lived with a father and stepmother. He said that Stafford befriended him and furnished him with food and lodging. The latter had no regular home. Barrett lived in South Boston. They accepted the sentences indifferently. In the detention room before leaving for the institutions to which they had been sentenced they smoked cigarettes and chatted.

Barrett told the judge he knew the robbery was arranged, but did not know a revolver was to figure in it. Stafford said he didn't know whether Barrett knew of the fact that a revolver was to be used. Stafford said that the others were trying to make him out the ringleader.

The four are under indictment in Norfolk county for a crime in North Weymouth. An officer of that town walked into the detention room to speak to young Ash, but the little fellow put up his hand and said, "I don't want to talk to you. Keep away from me," and he walked toward the rear of the cage in which the prisoners are kept. The officer left the room without an interview with the youthful offender.

Judge Wait said it was the mercy of heaven that prevented the defendants from being in court for murder. He said: "I serve notice now that I am here for a long time on this bench, and to those disposed to do this sort of thing I shall deal heavily. This sort of thing must stop."

Cassavant is the youngest boy to go to state prison in a long time.

One cent, two envelopes, a piece of paper and a pocketbook worth about 25 cents were what James R. Holloway, Edward Prinlean and Rebecca Prinlean got for their trouble in holding up Joseph Biano, on the night of Nov. 20. They were also before Judge Wait in the superior criminal court yesterday on a charge of robbery, and after a trial were convicted.

They had refused to plead guilty to the offence of larceny from the person. The judge sentenced the men to state prison for a term of five to seven years and the woman to a definite term at the reformatory at Sherborn for five years and a day. They induced Biano to go into an alleyway, and while there robbed him.

WOMEN AND MEN

Arrested on Charge of Shoplifting

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Charged with the larceny of articles varying from fur oil to a forequarters lamb, 10 women and three men were in the municipal court yesterday for shoplifting, making it the busiest day since the holiday season set in.

The heaviest sentence was one of three months in the house of correction, given by Judge Sullivan to Agnes McNamara, alias Annie Ryan, who lives on Common street and who last week defaulted. She appealed and was held in $300.

Fines of $50 each were imposed on Mary Ellis and Catherine Hines, who gave their address as 580 Tremont street. They were arrested Monday evening, and confessed to stealing $104.16 worth of articles from one store. The goods were recovered.

The three men arrested were Edward W. Wilson and John Cronin of Revere and James Kelley of Cambridge, the last charged with stealing a forequarter of lamb in the market district. Wilson and Cronin were charged with the larceny of $13 worth of diaries from a Back Bay store. On one of the defendants was found also a book that had been stolen from Young's hotel. Both were held for a hearing Dec. 30, Wilson in $500 and Cronin in $600.

Unable to distinguish between a plea of guilty and not guilty, Bushcovish Petrucela was none the less fined $15 for stealing a hair net, handkerchiefs, bottle of hair oil and a comb, the whole valued at 60 cents. She was the only one unable to furnish bail and was sent to the city prison.

FRENCH SPINNERS

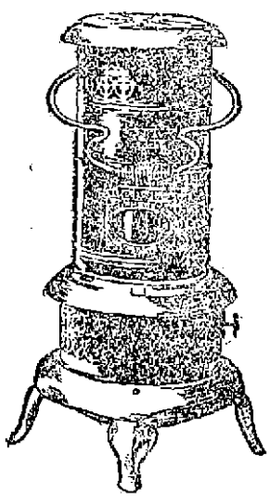
Have Taken an Important Step

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Complaints, which for a number of years have been made by French cotton spinners on account of the excessive degree of moisture contained in cotton imported from the South Atlantic states, have caused a movement to officially determine the degree of moisture and establishing both the extent of damage and the depreciation in value occasioned thereby, reports U. S. Consul James E. Dunning at Havre.

The humidity, for the most part, is found in or near the center of the bale and is due to the steam or water used in pressing the staple. It not only injures the cotton itself, but also gives it a fictitious weight, which is lost shortly after the bale is opened and evaporation takes place.

It is the determination of the French spinners to establish a laboratory for testing cotton and obtaining official figures as to the amount of moisture in the cotton. Objection in some quarters has been made to the proposition.

"When the testing bureau is established there is no doubt that the degree of moisture found in cotton, if the same be excessive, will lead to numerous claims, and it appears reasonably certain that the validity of such claims cannot be passed over or ignored," says Consul Dunning. "This should lead American shippers in their own interests to see to it that the staple which they send abroad contains no moisture."



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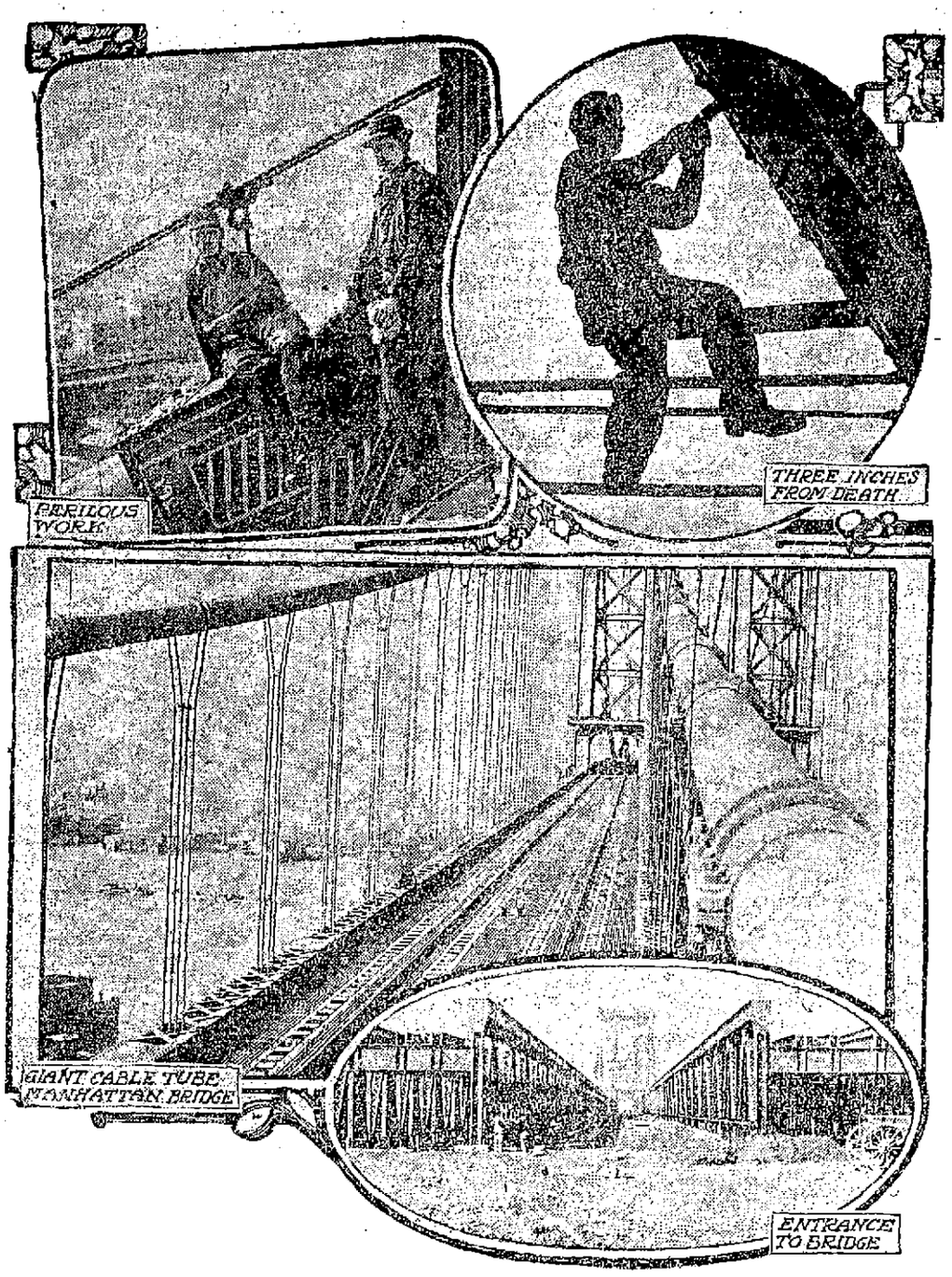


NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The Manhattan bridge, the fourth and largest structure spanning the East river between Manhattan and Brooklyn, will be formally opened on Jan. 1. The first official act of Mayor Elect Gaynor when he goes into office will be the acceptance of the bridge. The gigantic structure which is to relieve the traffic on the Brooklyn bridge will be open to pedestrians on Christmas eve and will be brilliantly illuminated. Some work is still in progress on the bridge, but it is practically complete. It is the greatest suspension span in the world. Its cables are 230 feet longer and two and one-half inches larger in diameter than those of the Williamsburg bridge, which held the world's record. The new bridge will be provided with eight railroad tracks, four on the lower deck and four on the upper, having a traffic capacity of 200,000 passengers an hour one way, or 400,000 passengers an hour east and west. In addition, there are a center roadway thirty-five feet wide and two cantilever footpaths twelve feet wide, one on each side. Including the approaches, the bridge is 6365 feet long; the main span, from pier to pier, 1470 feet long. The four big cables weigh 6300 tons and are composed of 37,888 galvanized acid steel wires, 9472 in each cable, with an aggregate end to end length almost sufficient to reach around the world. Each wire in the cables has an ultimate strength of 215,000 pounds to the square inch, while the cables themselves are subjected to a working load, distributed upon the bridge, of 60,000 pounds to the square inch or a congested load of 73,000 pounds to the square inch.

MUTELLA SHOT

Was Attacked by an Unknown Assassin

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—John Mutella, 40 years old, married and living at 63 Charter street, North End, narrowly escaped death at the hands of an unknown and uncaught assassin early last evening.

The unknown man fired his revolver and jumped. Mutella also jumped out of the way and the bullet just grazed his left breast and left only a painful but not dangerous flesh wound.

It was about 5.30 o'clock last evening when Mutella stepped out of the house at 430 Hanover street and into a yard. It was so dark that Mutella was obliged to feel his way. Suddenly the unknown Italian, thought to be about 25 years old, with his slouch hat pulled down over his eyes, rushed at Mutella and pressed his revolver against Mutella's left breast. The unknown man turned, ran and disappeared. Mutella went to the Battery street dispensary and his wound was examined and dressed. It is not a serious one. The police were notified and Lieut. Allen sent out a squad of officers to search for the would-be assassin.

SUES FOR $4000

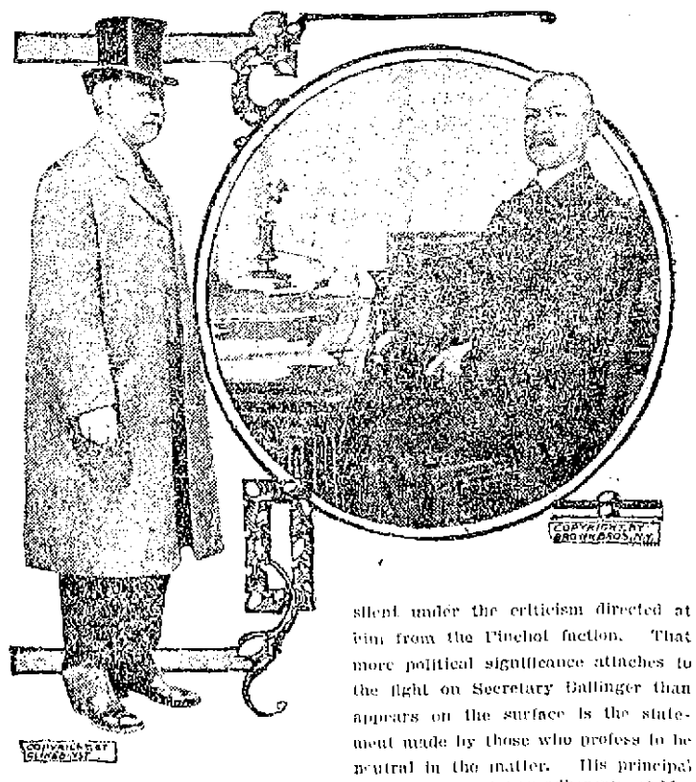
Alienation of Wife's Affections Alleged

BRATTLEBORO, Vt., Dec. 22.—Harry G. Wilbur of Wardsboro, through his attorney, A. V. D. Piper of Jamaica, yesterday filed suit with County Clerk Stowe against Myron E. White, also of Wardsboro, for $4000, alleging the alienation of the affections of his wife, Cora L. Wilbur.

The papers were served by Deputy Sheriff H. F. Willis, who attached the body of White as security. George W. Briggs offered surety for White, who was released on bail.

The case is returnable at the April term of the Windham county court.

RICHARD A. BALLINGER WHO CALLS FOR VINDICATION IN LAND FIGHT



WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Political tongues are wagging vigorously over Richard A. Ballinger's demand for an investigation of the now celebrated Ballinger-Pinchot controversy. The secretary of the interior was moved to action by a speech made by Representative Hitchcock of Nebraska, demanding that congress at once begin a general probing of the land office. Mr. Ballinger went to the White House and put the matter up to President Taft, declaring that he could no longer rest silent under the criticism directed at him from the Pinchot faction. That more political significance attaches to the fight on Secretary Ballinger than appears on the surface is the statement made by those who profess to be neutral in the matter. His principal opponents are strong adherents of Mr. Roosevelt and in some quarters are regarded as the nucleus of a Roosevelt 1912 machine.

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BOWLING GAMES

Several Lively Contests on the Alleys

There were two good games played in the Manufacturers' league last night. The contest between the Hamilton and Appleton teams resulted in a victory for the Hamiltons who won two of the three points. The Boott team won all three points from Lawrence No. 2.

The Wamesits of the Odd Fellows league gave the Merrimack Valley lodge an awful trouncing on the alleys last night. The victorious team won the first string by 67 pins and won the second string by a good margin. The third string resulted in a tie, but the Wamesits won it on the roll-off.

In the Lamson league the Perfections defeated the Pneumatics. The scores:

MANUFACTURERS' LEAGUE

Hamilton—Hovey, 258; Morse, 234; Whittier, 250; Marshall, 275; Griffin, 264; total, 1281.

Appleton—Gallagher, 252; Adams, 230; Sherwell, 229; Carroll, 256; Bowen, 258; total 1244.

Lawrence No. 2—Pillsbury, 243; Starkey, 257; Payne, 210; Burke, 246; Peacock, 242; total 1198.

Boott—Johnson, 280; Morrison, 263; Folgate, 244; Abbott, 273; Kirby, 239; total 1289.

LAMSON LEAGUE

Perfections—Splaine, 234; Muldoon, 256; F. Frappier, 290; Griffin, 269; Gendron, 265; total 1314.

Pneumatics—Cummings, 232; Rousseau, 239; Condon, 260; Murphy, 242; Burns, 262; total 1245.

ODD FELLOWS LEAGUE

Wamesit—Marsden, 247; Rhodes, 287; Hambleton, 282; Haffkenney, 298; Farrar, 282; total 1396.

Merrimack Valley—Atkinson, 267; Chapman, 261; McLean, 268; Ogden, 238; Silcox, 244; total 1275.

Y. M. C. I. TOURNAMENT

Two games were played in the Y. M. C. I. tournament last night. The game between Teams 4 and 9 resulted in a victory for the former team which won two points. The teams rolled a tie in the second string, but Team 4 won on the roll-off.

Team 8 had an easy time of it with Team 7, the former winning three points. The scores:

Team 4—Rourke, 250; Cahill, 272; Will King, 303; Sub, 211; Sub, 211; total 1246.

Team 9—Marren 246; Farley, 238; Donnelly, 221; J. Clark, 250; Sub, 246; total 1201.

Team 7—M. O'Keefe, 246; McCaffrey, 243; Bemmington, 236; Allen, 255; A. Doyle, 271; total 1251.

Team 8—Tully, 280; Talbot, 278; Tansy, 216; T. Doyle, 294; sub, 230; total 1298.

On Christmas afternoon a bowling knockout tournament will be held among the members. Prizes have been offered to the highest bowlers and a pair of $3 shoes will be given the person rolling the three best consecutive strings.

The members' tournament is progressing smoothly and considerable interest is taken by the members. Three teams are tied for first place. The standing follows:

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Team Three	6	3	66.6
Team Four	6	3	66.6
Team Five	6	3	66.6
Team Eight	5	4	55.5
Team Nine	5	4	55.5
Team Ten	5	4	55.5
Team Seven	4	5	44.4
Team One	2	4	33.3
Team Two	2	7	22.2
Team Six	1	5	16.6

Individual averages:

John McLaughlin, highest average, 102 2-9.

Highest team three string total, Team Three, 1313.

Highest team single string total, Teams Five and Three, 458.

A $1200 VERDICT

Found in Favor of Margaret Holland

SALEM, Dec. 22.—In the superior court before Judge Stevens yesterday afternoon, the jury in the case of Margaret Holland vs. City of Lynn, for personal injuries from a fall on a defective sidewalk on Western avenue, Lynn, June 14, 1908, returned a verdict for plaintiff for $1200.

The case of Clara H. Keeler of Lynn vs. Boston & Northern railroad, for injury to plaintiff's eye from flying glass from a car window, broken by the trolley slipping in Market square in Lynn in April, 1905, was on trial at adjournment.

In the supreme judicial court before Justice Loring the will of Mary Sheehan of Peabody was set up after a hearing on a contest on the ground of lack of deposing mind and memory and undue influence. There were several formal proofs of wills.

In the matter of the construction of the wills of Eliza and Mary Ropes of Salem, Judge Loring declined to hear the case, as Harvard college was a beneficiary under the wills and he is an overseer of Harvard college.

Y. M. C. A. BUILDING COMMITTEE

Three men have been added to the executive committee of the Y. M. C. A. campaign committee. The three men are Franklin Nourse, Dr. J. B. Field and F. E. Dunbar. This committee will have charge of the actual work of the new building.

Several committees are already named and several are planned. The two most important ones at the present time are the committees on finance and site. The committee on finance consists of F. A. Flather, Amasa Pratt, A. G. Cumnock, A. G. Pollard and Treasurer C. W. Whidden. The committee on site consists of Franklin Nourse, F. E. Dunbar, A. G. Cumnock, F. A. Flather and Amasa Pratt.

The treasurer of the fund is receiving cash daily in variable sums and the total now at hand is about $16,000.

EXPLORER PEARY

Comments on the Cook Report

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—"Three months ago from the Labrador coast sounded an explicit and deliberately worded warning to the world based on complete and accurate information in regard to Cook's claim. In so doing I accepted the responsibility devolving upon me and fulfilled my duty to myself and to the world."

With these words Commander Robert E. Peary expressed his sentiments regarding the failure of the university of Copenhagen to find any proof of the discovery of the North pole by Dr. Cook.

Seated in his apartments on Columbia road, Commander Peary received an Associated Press representative who apprised him of the decision by the Denmark scientists against Dr. Cook. Not so much as a faintest suspicion of a smile illuminated his stern features but his eyes lighted up with a welcome knowledge of a vindication which had come to him after difficult trials.

"I have known the outcome of this since weeks before I reached this country on my return from the pole. It was not a matter of belief with me, but of absolute knowledge.

"However, I shall not discuss the matter in detail for publication. It is not necessary.

"The warning which I sent to the country before I landed is still sufficient. You remember my cablegram from Battle Harbor? Here is the exact wording of it: 'Cook has not been to the pole April 21, 1908, or any other date. He has simply handed the public a gold brick.'"

With this Commander Peary declined further to discuss Dr. Cook and his affairs and it was evident that he regarded the whole controversy as ended.

He declined to say whether he considered it possible for Dr. Cook to proceed further in presenting additional evidence or in submitting his data to other courts of authority.

"My friends may consider this decision a complete vindication of their attitude on this whole subject, but as for me I do not care to comment," said Mr. Peary in conclusion.

"It's time," the terse comment of one of these officials who investigated closely the Arctic claim of Peary and Cook, was an ejaculation that expressed the feeling of practically all of the officials of the National Geographical society.

AN OLD RESIDENT

Peter Burns Passed Away in Everett

Peter Burns, an old and respected resident of this city, passed away yesterday at the home of his son, Joseph Burns, 39 Calhoun avenue, Everett. Mr. Burns went to Everett a few weeks ago to visit his son and was taken ill while there. He was one of the oldest members of the Sacred Heart parish in this city and was beloved by all who knew him. He was a great home man, was of a retiring disposition, quiet and honest, possessing a character that made friends for him of all with whom he came in contact. One of his sons is Mr. Michael J. Burns, the electrician in the police department, and the others are: James, former president of the Y. M. C. I.; Thomas, and Joseph, member of the Everett board of public works, at whose home he died. The daughters who survive him are Misses Margaret, Theresea, Mary Verecunda of Lowell, and Julia of Everett. He is also survived by six grandchildren, Frank, Arthur, Rose, Marion, Lillian and Henry R., who is a student at the Tewksbury novitiate. The funeral will take place from his home in State street, this city, and the time will be announced later.

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27 WERE INDICTED

In the Big "Sleeper Trunk" Smuggling Case

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Twenty-seven modistes alleged to be involved in the vast "sleeper trunk" smuggling system, one of the many ramifications of the customs frauds which have been brought to light at this port, have been indicted by the federal grand jury and all probably will be under arrest soon

Having obtained all the evidence necessary to proceed, the government began a general roundup yesterday with the arrest of nine women and four men. All were arraigned before a U. S. commissioner and held for trial. Caroline Windmuller, held as being one of the principal offenders, gave bail for $5000. The others gave surety in smaller amounts.

It is alleged that the government was defrauded out of thousands of dollars by means of trunks containing imported finery which were left on steamship piers and secretly removed later.

TWO CHICAGO WOMEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Federal officials yesterday took into custody a number of persons who are charged with complicity in a conspiracy to smuggle gowns and dry goods into this country. Arrests were made simultaneously in different parts of the country, two women in Chicago being taken on a charge of having a part in a conspiracy to defraud the government.

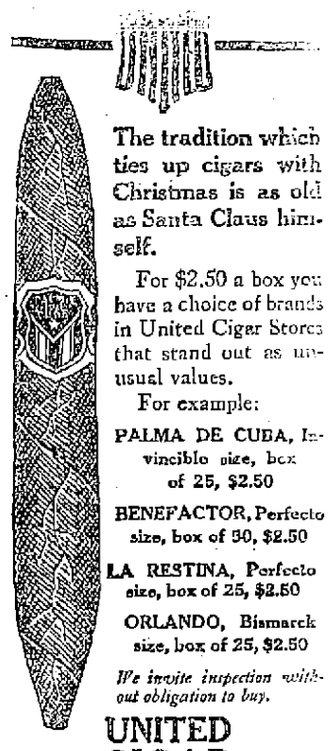
The conspirators are said to have already succeeded in smuggling across the line more than $3,000,000 worth of dutiable goods.

Those in the conspiracy are said to number 36. All of them have been indicted by the federal grand jury in New York. The arrests in Chicago were made on warrants sworn out by Asst. Dist. Atty. A. I. Smith of New York, who petitioned for their removal to New York.

The women, who were placed under $10,000 bonds by United States Commissioner Buell, are Mary L. Webber, also known as Mme. Whitney, proprietor of a fashionable establishment in Chicago, and Kathryn Schwartz.

The women, it is alleged by government officers, are partners in what is reported to have been a well-organized conspiracy to smuggle gowns and dress-maker's goods into the United States from France, Great Britain and Belgium.

Asst. Dist. Atty. Smith last night said: "It is hard to tell the value of the goods that these women have smuggled into this country. I know of one instance in which the customs officers seized three trunks containing gowns that sold at auction for $53,000.



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FATHER OBJECTS

To Wedding of His Son Under Age

Pinned to the opened page of the book of marriage intentions in the city clerk's office is a note stating that John Silva objects to the marriage of his son, Antonio Silva, who is a minor. Antonio's name does not appear on the book, and it would seem that his father rather anticipated him. The elder Silva called at the office of the city clerk this forenoon and said that his son had the marriage bee in his bonnet. "He is a minor and I object to his marriage," he said, and notice to this effect was pinned upon the book.

The following marriage intentions were registered at the city clerk's office yesterday afternoon and today:

Ernest C. Wilkins, 24, shoemaker, 76 Union street, and Muur L. Abbott, 28, at home, same address.

Panakiotis Kheoglasii 31, laborer, 188 Suffolk street, and Marigo Nucholakopoulos, 21, operative, 55 Willie street.

Alexander Johnson, 29, painter, 117 Jewett street, and Lois Brackett, 29, operative, 88 B street.

Louis Lord, 25, painter, 14 East Pine street, and Clementine Desmarais, 20, operative, 649 Middlesex street.

William A. Mead, 23, weaver, 158 Hampshire street, and Ella G. Richertt, 20, operative, 140 Hampshire street.

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The Christmas stock of turkeys has arrived in Lowell, and the prices according to men in the business are the highest ever demanded for the national bird.

It's the old law of supply and demand. A disease peculiar to turkeys, known as the "Blackhead," has raged through the big turkey farms of Vermont and the west with the result that thousands of birds have died. This accounts for the raise.

A visit to the different markets reveals the fact that real Vermont turkeys will bring from 35 to 38 cents per pound. Real western turkeys demand 32 to 35 cents per pound. A local provision dealer bought a stock of choice Vermont birds in Boston this morning and paid 32 cents per pound wholesale for them.

Ducks are selling for 25 cents per pound and chicken for 25 and 28 per. Geese are rather scarce, but are going at 25 cents per pound. Celery is 15 cents and cranberries 10 cents per quart.

The retailers join with the consumers in kicking over the price of turkeys, for the wholesale price is so large that the retailer gets but a small margin.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

The clever comedian, Phil Ott, with his merry crew of fun makers, singers and dancers will be the Christmas attraction at the Opera House, both afternoon and evening.

With the coming of Phil Ott's comedians there will be things doing every instant from rise to fall of curtain.

The engagement is for seven days, commencing Christmas afternoon and evening, with the rollicking musical farce, "The Man and the Mummy," to be followed by "The Boston Belle" and "The Millionaire Kid." There's just a thread of a plot in each of these, enough to create a tangle of complicated situations in which Phil Ott and clever supporting company keep their audiences in continuous roars of laughter.

Seats for all performances are now on sale.

"FOLLIES OF 1909."

Billie Reeves, the original "Inebriated Swell" who was one of the big hits of Ziegfeld's former revue, "Follies of 1908," is one of the features of the new revue, "Follies of 1909" which is coming to the Opera House January 3, with Eva Tanguay and other stars. His specialty this year is said to be the best thing he has done. He is assisted by Miss Helen McMahon, who plays a scare-crow.

"THE CIRCUS MAN."

In "The Circus Man," which comes to the Opera House January 7 and 8, the rotund comedian, Maclyn Arbuckle, in "Fighting Hime" Luck, has unquestionably the best part he has ever been called on to portray. This reads like a strong statement, when one remembers his Jim Hackler in "The County Chairman" and "Slim" Hoover, the sheriff in "The Round Up." "The Circus Man" is founded on a story by Holman F. Day, and is by Eugene W. Presbrey. There are five acts. Mr. Arbuckle and the play were warmly received in Boston during the run of "The Circus Man" at the Boston theatre.

HATHAWAY THEATRE

Real holiday entertainment is the order of things at Hathaway's theatre this week. Not a bad act on the program, and several of more than ordinary drawing power. The Four Huntings in a perfect riot of comedy are naturally headlines. They give far and away one of the funniest concoctions served up in months. It is fun all of the time, with the carrot topped delivery boy delivering over some of the funniest things ever.

Jack Connolly and Margaret Webb appear in the wholly good melange called "A Stormy Finish." This act holds much real finish to it, and Mr. Connolly's playing of the piano and Miss Webb's singing are far out of the beaten path. Lawrence & Edwards give a political skit which holds much of contemporary interest, and Galletti's baboons shake thinks up generally. Leroy is a consummate character artist, and Jeters & Rogers begin affairs with a comedy skate dancing act. Mignonette Kokin has a few new twists to the singing comedienne turn. The motion pictures are all new.

Performances will be given every afternoon and evening during the remainder of the week, with special seats at the matinees for women.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Tonight at the Academy the amateurs will be called on for their specialties, and another of these popular entertainments will afford much merriment. The vaudeville program this week is exceptionally good. Headed by that clever trio of fun makers, "Allen, Delmain and Harrold, in a "Tin Wedding," and Jules Herron, a clever German comedian; Travellettes of Mexico, the illustrated song "Stingy Kid," and three reels of moving pictures, headed by the Selig feature, "The Indian," a tale of the west in the early pioneer days. On Christmas day at the matinee every child attending the performance will receive a miniature theatre filled with choice candy. Performances every afternoon and evening.

THEATRE LA SCALA

Five cents is a mighty small sum to pay for the amusement afforded by a visit to the Theatre La Scala. There none but the best and newest pictures are shown and the songs and singers are in a class by themselves. Today one of the features tells a great story of a Tennessee feud and into which is interwoven a fine love story." The Song of the Cradle" is a very finely mounted story picture of the olden time and the comedy is a really laughable one. The songs "Where Do You Go From Here, Bill" and "Sing, Kate, Sing," are two corkers, novel and full of clever music.

STAR THEATRE

The musical Buskirk Co. in "Alderman Flanigan and the Messenger Boy" will be the stellar vaudeville attraction at the Star theatre tomorrow as Madame Cloutier, the strongest woman in the world, concludes her engagement tonight. The Musical Buskirk company presents about the funniest act on the American stage. Singing, talking, dancing and instrumental numbers are combined. The golden anvil chorus with electric sparks flying everywhere is featured.

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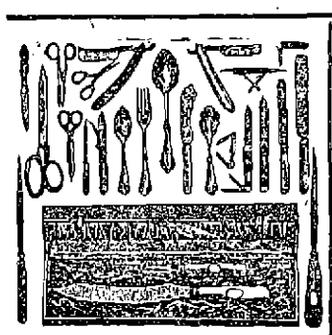

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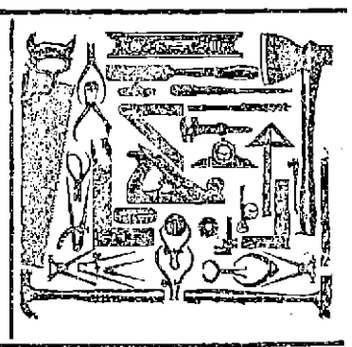

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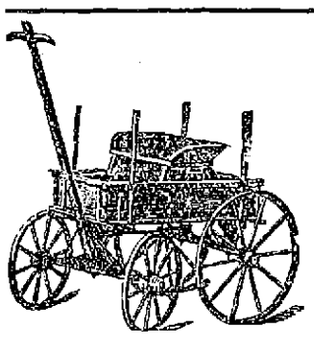

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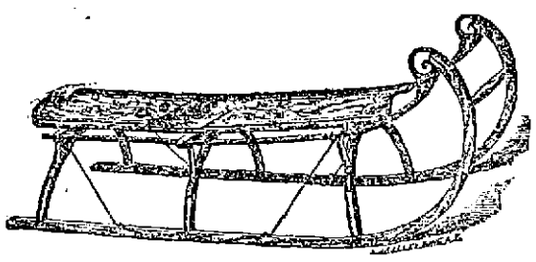

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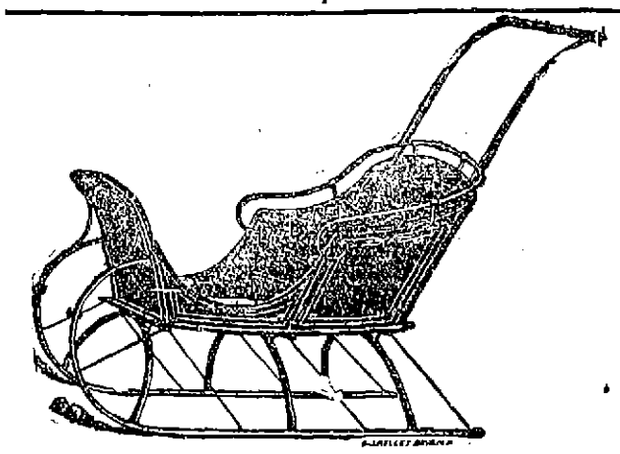

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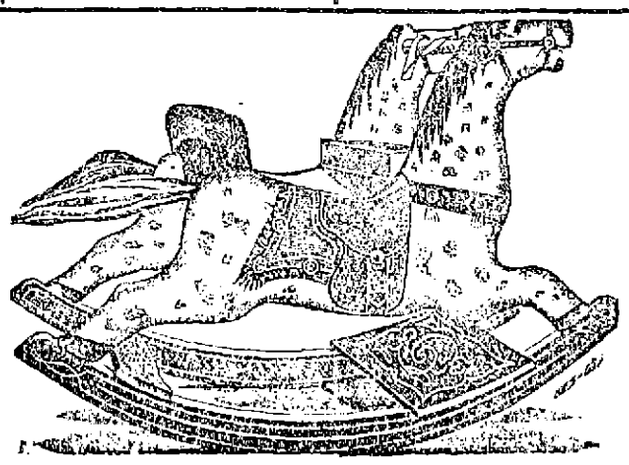

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This is by far the largest average circulation of any newspaper in Lowell.

VOTING STRAIGHT

There are now additional reasons why every citizen should "vote straight." Always put the cross directly opposite the name of the candidate you wish to vote for or your vote may be reckoned as a blank.

OBJECTIONABLE BETTING.

When democrats make bets with democrats against democratic candidates or on the vote of such candidates there is a suspicion of party disloyalty, at least on one side, for talk as we may we do not often find a man voting to throw his money to the other fellow. Democrats should not bet that way.

IMPORTED TOYS.

In spite of our high tariff it is stated that we import toys valued at $7,500,000 each year. Why can't our inventive genius produce all the toys we need in this country? It must be confessed, however, that some of our most ingenious toys are imported from Europe, principally from Germany.

THE DUSTY STREETS.

The comfort of the store-keepers along the principal streets could be greatly enhanced by the use of either the street sweeper or the watering carts on the down town streets. Some of them are covered with dust, dirt and rubbish, all of which is carried in clouds by the wind. Even the sparrow men seem to have disappeared from the streets, leaving their work undone. Is this economy?

REMEMBER THE NEWSBOYS.

At the Christmas time remember the little newsboys, many of whom are poorly clad and otherwise in need of something to bring them Christmas cheer. They are faithful little servants of the public and in their efforts to earn a few pennies daily to help support themselves and their brothers and sisters, they often suffer from cold and hunger. Among them are some boys who have comfortable homes but these are the exceptions, so that in helping these manly little fellows there is no danger that any kindness will be misplaced.

THE CASE OF DR. COOK.

The University of Copenhagen does not find Dr. Cook's data sufficient to convince an unprejudiced jury that he visited the north pole. That will probably seal the fate of Cook as an explorer. Another committee that has been investigating his claims in regard to having reached the summit of Mt. McKinley reports simultaneously with the University of Copenhagen that he did not reach the summit as he had claimed. If this latter finding be correct, it would go to strengthen the belief that he similarly set out to bluff the public into believing that he had discovered the north pole when he had not gone nearly as far as other explorers who preceded him. If either or both of these reports on Dr. Cook's claims as an explorer be true, and there is little reason to doubt them, the only inference that can be drawn is, that Dr. Cook is an unprincipled fakir and that he presumed too much upon the credulity and the gullibility of the American people.

The ascent of Mt. McKinley was a matter that concerned mainly the American people; but the discovery of the north pole concerns the entire world, and no man who cannot establish the authenticity of his claims may expect to be recognized as the discoverer of the north pole. No bluff will work in a case of such universal importance.

If Dr. Cook has attempted to bluff the scientific world in regard to his explorations in the polar regions, he undertook a task too great for any man to accomplish. Conviction of such a monstrous undertaking will blight his whole life and reduce him to the status of an unscrupulous fakir. He has disgraced not only himself but his country, and today the United States stands humiliated by the enormity of his imposture.

THE MUNICIPAL OUTLOOK

We sincerely hope that Mayor-elect Meehan will outline in his inaugural address a platform of reform that if carried out, even partially, will greatly benefit our city present and future. For the enforcement of all laws and the suppression of abuses, a firm hand is required at the wheel so to speak. The chief executive must be a man who will not exaggerate the city's faults to impress the public with the importance of his own work or of what he is trying to do. Far better is it to boom the city's good qualities and in a quiet way suppress abuses as soon as they appear.

The reputation of our city has been injured by holding up minor abuses as typical of widespread evils when such was not the fact. This policy should be carefully relegated to the rear, and if a mayor cannot appeal to the sympathy or intelligence of the voters without misrepresenting conditions, he should be man enough to submit to his fate.

Mayor Meehan will have a good opportunity to push charter reform in a manner that will be approved by the entire city. The great difficulty is not to draft a good charter but so to harmonize the various elements of our population that they will accept such a charter.

If a thoroughly representative body be secured to draft a charter for enactment by the legislature with a referendum attached, the necessary unanimity might be secured.

The present charter is antiquated. The system of doing business under it is cumbrous and complicated.

The progressive cities of the country are adopting charters that give them a smaller city council and centre responsibility so that if anything goes wrong nobody will be at a loss to know who is to blame. That affords a means of rewarding merit and correcting abuses as soon as they appear.

Through a good charter we should have more systematic and, therefore, better and more economic city government. The tax rate should be steadily reduced so that local enterprise will be encouraged and outside industries attracted here. We must diversify our industries and encourage the small as well as the large for many of our largest industries were once small concerns struggling for existence.

SEEN AND HEARD

A record breaking shipment of 100,000 lobsters from the Provinces, which came into Boston a few days ago, was snapped up quite eagerly. Prices fell sharply from 30 to 25 cents a pound, something unusual for this season.

She was an absent minded girl and she had a letter to mail. Passing one of the Salvation Army chimneys, so conspicuous on the sidewalks these days, she was about to drop the letter when the young woman in charge of the chimney said to her: "Methinks you are making a mistake." "How stupid of me," said the absent minded one, and then she told a downright fib for which she paid the penalty—in cash. "I had two things in mind," she said. "One was to mail this letter and the other to drop a coin in the chimney. But for you I would have reversed matters," and then she dove into her purse for the coin. There was but one coin and it was a quarter. There was no way out of it—she had to drop it. That was a twenty-five cent fib.

By increasing the valuation of the personal estate of the late Robert D. Evans, whose property at Woodberry Point was President Taft's vacation home last summer, the city of Beverly is richer by $31,000. Following suit the assessors of Salem are going to assess the estate of the late Andrew W. Dodd, who had paid only a $2 poll tax for several years up to his death last winter, for $200,000. It is figured that Salem has lost over $50,000 through omitted taxes like this.

It is reported that Dr. Cook is on his way north to meet Santa Claus. He wants the old man to swear that he met him at the North pole.

THE LITTLE RED RIBBON

I sing not of battles nor conquerors laden
With trophies their valor has won in the strife;
My song is the love of a shy little maiden,
Who smiled upon me in the morning of life.
I whispered my passion, though clumsily spoken,
With tear-shining lashes she heeded my prayer;
With the ring of betrothal I begged for a token.
The little red ribbon she wore in her hair.
Though now it is faded
I picture it braided,
The way that it shimmered that night on the stair;
And often I kiss it,
And thing how I'd miss it—
The little red ribbon she wore in her hair.

The years have flown by and her locks have grown whiter;
I smile when she speaks of the gray in the gold;
I whisper to her that her glances are brighter,
Her dimples more witching than ever of old.
Our love-life has witnessed more laughing than weeping;
We chase with fond kisses the footprints of care;
But my own little wife never dreams I am keeping
The little red ribbon she wore in her hair.
Though faded and crinkled
And rumpled and wrinkled,
The bonnie bright looping that glistened so fair,
Far down in my pocket
It lies in a locket—
The little red ribbon she wore in her hair.

Mirrors, brushes, umbrellas, etc. Devine's, 124 Merrimack st.

Who Saw the Accident?

Will the person who saw a man thrown from car at corner of Chestnut and Nesmith sts. on August 11th last, kindly send particulars to M. J. J., Sun Office.

Exhibition and Sale of Hand Painted China

and needlework at the store of Derby & Morse, 64 Middle street, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

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$2,000,000 GIFT

To Officers and Employes of U. S. Steel Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—More than $2,000,000 will be distributed by the United States Steel corporation as a bonus to its officers and employes, 60 per cent. of which will be in cash, according to the official announcement of Chairman Gary today. The bonus was first announced as $1,000,000 but Chairman Gary corrected this in his official announcement today in which he said: "The sum distributed for 1909 amounts to a little over $2,000,000. This will be paid 60 per cent in cash and 40 per cent in preferred stock at 124 or common stock at 90 in accordance with the wishes of the recipients so far as practicable and convenient. Also the usual opportunity will be given to subscribe for 25,000 shares of the stock of the corporation at 124 upon the usual conditions."

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5000
DECORATED ALBUMS
Holding 100 Cards
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19c

5000
ALBUMS
Holding 300 Cards
50c VALUE
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APOTHECARIES

CITY SOLICITOR

Advises Payment of Stenographer's Bill

There was a conference at city hall last night between members of the board of aldermen and the city solicitor relative to the payment by the city of the $4000 for stenographic work in connection with the police board hearings several months ago. Mr. Duncan said that in his opinion the city would have to pay the bill. He said that a suit entered against the city could not be successfully fought. As to the question of excessiveness, Mr. Duncan said he did not regard the bill as excessive. Mr. Rollins was present at the conference and told the aldermen that his bill was reasonable. Before the bill can be paid a special appropriation must be voted by the city council and a majority of the aldermen believed that the matter should go over to next year.

CARTARET CASE

Took Entire Session of Probate Court

The case of Ann de Cartaret vs. John de Cartaret, for separate maintenance, took up the entire session yesterday, and was continued until next Tuesday at 10.30. The witnesses for the respondent consisted of John de Cartaret, John Gookin of Tyngsboro, Caleb L. Smith and Mrs. Catherine Connors. Before leaving yesterday, Judge McIntire gave a hearing on the petition of Fannie S. Boutilette against Joseph Boutilette, to determine how much the respondent should pay under a temporary order, for the support of his minor child, pending a further hearing on the wife's petition for separate maintenance. F. W. Qua for the petitioner; James E. O'Donnell for the respondent.

The court ordered the respondent to pay $3.50 per week for the support of his daughter, who is nine years old.

Mrs. Boutilette testified that she sold her old piano to pay the rent, and has earned $25 since the first of May.

BIG CHESS TOURNAMENT

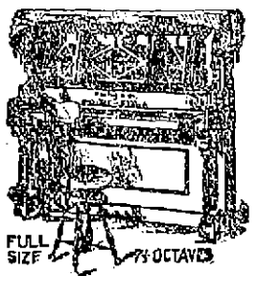
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The 18th annual intercollegiate chess tournament between four students each from the Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton universities was begun here today. Columbia was pitted against Harvard and Yale against Princeton.

SMALL POX EPIDEMIC

AMOY, China, Dec. 22.—The officials of the American hospital announce the presence of a small pox epidemic in Amoy. Quarantine regulations for the protection of the Philippines have been inaugurated.

PIANOS AT $250

ARE SUPERB INSTRUMENTS FOR CHRISTMAS



Those who are thinking of presenting a piano as a Christmas gift can make a splendid selection by choosing one of the celebrated pianos we offer you.

Every possible advantage as to terms will be granted purchasers. For a small payment down we will put the

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and you can pay the balance in small monthly payments as you desire.

Those who buy pianos now for Christmas presents can leave same in our care and we will deliver them Christmas eve or Christmas morning as you prefer. We always have a few bargains in second hand uprights and squares.

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Best Pianos, Largest Assortment
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OPEN EVERY EVENING TILL CHRISTMAS.

STILL WINNING

"SHAKESPEARE" McKERVEY HAS WON EVERY HANDICAP

As yet none of the local pool players has defeated "Shakespeare" McKervey, the one hand pool player, in a handicap match. Last night he defeated P. J. Delmore, getting one hundred balls while Delmore got 114, the latter being obliged to get 150 to win. Tonight "Shakespeare" plays at Fitchburg and tomorrow night he will play at the Y. M. C. I. in this city.

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STORE OPEN EVENINGS THIS WEEK.

Christmas Things
THAT WILL BE ACCEPTABLE

A Handsome Fur Lined Coat
Will make most any man think it a "Merry Christmas."
We have an excellent collection of kersey coats—lined with carefully selected furs, with Muskrat or Otter collars—from $35.00 to $250.00

Fur Coats---Fur Outside
For driving or motoring, cut very full and extra long—Manchurian black dog, Siberian Calf and Raccoon.....$15.00 to $90.00

How About a Fine Overcoat
For the Man of the House?
All of our finest overcoats from ROGERS, PEET & CO. have been reduced in price. These coats in a variety of expensive materials. Some of them lined with silk—that sold for $35, $40 and $45, are now marked.....$30.00

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Made for us—cut over clothing patterns so that they fit. Entirely new effects—quiet and genteel styles, in a great variety of colors, $5.00 to $10.00

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Attractive and most useful. All made of full, generous proportions and very long—finished with satin piping and with cords and tassels—Jacquard designs and Australian blankets, from $5.00 to $18.00

Neckwear of the Greatest Elegance
Our display of Neckwear is the finest we have ever made, covering a selection of the most beautiful silks obtainable from foreign or American manufacturers.
All neatly boxed, Four-in-Hands.....25c to $2.00
Knitted Silk Ties.....50c to $1.00

Unique Scarf Pins and Link Buttons
For Men—In Attractive Boxes.
A collection of novelties absolutely unlike anything you can find elsewhere in Lowell.
Attractive Scarf Pins, heavily plated, with imitation colored stones, from.....25c to $2.00
Solid Gold Scarf Pins, with genuine stones—Amethysts, Olivine, Cat's Eyes, Tourmalines, Tiger's Eyes, etc., from $3.00 to $5.00
Matched Sets, studs and sleeve links, to wear with evening dress, of pearl and other correct materials.
Matched Sets, Scarf Pin and Sleeve Links, colored stones, coral and gold effects. Sets carded or boxed.....75c to $5.00

Mufflers
Knit Mufflers, Phoenix and others.....25c and 50c
Silk Mufflers, reefers and full dress protectors.....50c to $2.50

Silk Suspenders
And Suspenders and Garters, Boxed.
New designs, attractive but not gaudy—from.....50c to $1.00

Men's Christmas Slippers
Opera, Romeo and Faust style, in tan or black, dongola or viei kid. All made with trimmed soles.....$1.00, $2.00
If size is wrong, change after Christmas.

Boys' Patent Leather Dancing Pumps
Hand turned soles, with patent leather bow.....$1.35 and $1.50

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All new—Fascinating novelties in handles.
Women's Umbrellas—Silk taffeta and all silk.....$1.50 to $5.00
Men's Umbrellas—Boxwood, Mission and Horn handles—Gloria, Taffeta and Silk.....$1.00 to $5.00
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Men's Walking Gloves—Boxed
Of imported cape leather and genuine mocha—regular and short fingers.
Our Special, genuine cape leather outseams.....$1.00
Imported Cape Leather, outseams, Perrin's and Fownes.....$1.50
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Men's Fur Gloves and Gauntlets
All made with leather palms—Muskrat, dyed coney, nutria, beaver and raccoon.....$1.75 to $9.00

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Detroit and Motor styles in dyed coney—Natural muskrat and pieced seal.....$3.50 to $5.00

Men's Coat Sweaters
Worsted or heavy wool, plain oxford, white and maroon—or oxford with colored borders.....$1.00, $1.50 to $5.00

CONTEST OVER WILL

An Estate Valued at $1,049,000 is at Stake

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 22.—A contest over a will disposing of an estate appraised at $1,049,000 was begun in the Middlesex county court at East Cambridge today when Adeline McGee of Newton filed an appeal to the supreme court on the allowing of the will of the late Robert Boyd Wason of Cambridge, a grand uncle of the contestant. The will of Mr. Wason was allowed on Nov. 22 by Judge McIntire of the Middlesex county probate court. Under the will Miss McGee received no bequest. Miss McGee alleges in her appeal that the testator was of unsound mind, that there was fraud and undue influence on the part of the executors, George Wason of Cambridge and Robert S. Wason of Brookline, and that the contestant was not notified of the filing of the will until after it had been allowed.

BARACA CLASS MET

The L. A. N. Baraca class of the Fifth Street Baptist church met in its class room last evening and elected the following officers: Joseph C. Jasper, president, Grant A. Jasper, vice-president; Leroy F. Fuller, secretary; Geo. W. Lees, treasurer. An address was given by Rev. M. Carlson on "Life in the West." Refreshments were served.

OUR TOWN DRUGGISTS

say that Painkiller sells the best of any medicine they keep; during the hard times of the past year or two, there were none too poor to pay their "quarter" for a bottle of this indispensable family medicine. Be sure and get the genuine. 25c, 35c and 50c bottle.

ALDERMEN MET

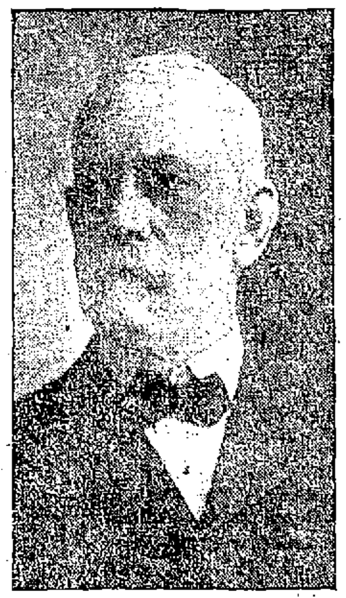
City Engineer Reports on Clark Road

ESTIMATES $3600 FOR DEFINING THE LINES

Thomas Walsh Confirmed as Library Trustee—Election Returns to Be Canvassed Thursday Night

The board of aldermen held a regular meeting last night. Chairman Gray called to order at 8.30 o'clock. A communication from the superior court, calling attention to the need of one grand juror from Lowell, was read.

The chair appointed Alderman Cheney to do the drawing, and Mr. Cheney drew the name, Francis D. Munn, Jr., 151 Eleventh street, grocer.



THOMAS WALSH
Reappointed Library Trustee

The reappointment of Thomas Walsh to the board of library trustees was confirmed.

The board refused to vote $1000 for the repair of sidewalks on the North common. This action was in nonconcurrence with the common council.

A joint order, giving the city auditor authority to straighten out all department deficiencies by transferring money from the general treasury fund, was read and adopted.

Petitioners for sidewalks in Western avenue were given leave to withdraw on recommendation of the committee on streets.

Petitions for acceptance of streets and sidewalks were sent to the clerk's office for seven days.

Favorable action was taken on the petition of L. P. Turcotte for the acceptance of sidewalks in Riverside and Moody streets.

A resolution to give permission to Frank Ricard to maintain a cluster of lights in front of his store in Merrimack street, near Cabot, was adopted.

Clark Road Matter

A communication from Engineer Bowers relative to the Clark road was read. It was stated in the communication that the road was laid out by the town of Tewksbury in 1739, at which time it was two rods wide. It is 8400 feet long, and 3400 feet of the street is in Lowell. The engineer estimated the cost of defining lines at $3600. The board voted to have the lines defined.

On recommendation of the committee on lighting streets, leave to withdraw was given in petitions of Edw. Cawley, Joseph H. Muffett and Percy Parker.

An order was adopted providing for the following additional lights: Gas—Avon street in front of 161; Shaffer street in front of 9; Clitheroe street near Nesmith street; Merrill avenue in front of A. M. Creamer's lots; Arc—Lilley avenue, corner of Aiken avenue, also to move gas light in Everett street, to move gas light in front of St. Louis' convent, and to move gas light at West Sixth street and Lilley avenue.

The board adjourned to Thursday night, when the election returns will be formally canvassed.

DEAD ON FLOOR

Woman Stricken With Heart Disease

GOFFSTOWN, N. H., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Mary A. Hammond, residing at Grasmere, was found dead on the floor of her kitchen late last night. She was seen hanging out her clothes about 9.30 in the forenoon, and when found had a few pieces of starched clothes in her hand and had started for the door when she fell.

Mrs. Hammond was a native of Dunbarton, but had resided in Bow most of her married life. Her age was 68 years. She was married twice. Her first husband was Thomas Hammond. After his death she married his brother, John Hammond, who died about ten years ago. She had one son, William Hammond, a grocer at Grasmere.

About seven years ago Mrs. Hammond sold her farm and built a cottage next to her son's residence, where she had resided alone since. She is survived by one brother, William Haseltine of Dunbarton, and one sister, Mrs. Otis E. Whipple of this town.

HIS MONEY GONE

"Pop" Anson Reported to Be Penniless

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Captain A. C. Anson's personal and other assets were ordered sold by the court yesterday to satisfy creditors' claims against his former billiard business. The claims amount to $7000. Receiver Thompson said he had not collected a cent.

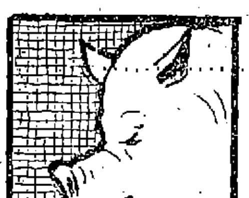
"We have not even money on hand to pay court costs," said Thompson.

The court directed that the personal assets of the estate be marshaled and sold at public auction.

Anson has lost all his real estate, and now, at 56, the one time batting hero of the National league is penniless. Lack of business ability overwhelmed Anson. His habits are good.

Don't go to Boston to buy leather goods. Devine will save you money, 124 Merrimack st.

Flynn's Market



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FANCY LIGHT ROAST PORK	13c

Potatoes	16c pk.	Armour's Veribest Mince Meat	3 lbs. 25c
No. 1 Cranberries	5c lb.	10 lb. Pails	85c
Fancy Onions	16c pk.	Fancy Table Raisins	8c lb.
Large Rabbits	35c pr.	Seedless Raisins,	7c pkg.
Christmas Candles	3 for 25c	Cleaned Currants	9c pkg.
English Walnuts	10c lb.	Boston Market Celery	10c
Mixed Nuts	2 lbs. for 25c	New Prunes	6 lbs. 25c
No. 1 Baldwin Apples	20c pk.	Large Sweet Oranges	15c doz.
Smoked Shoulders	12c lb.	Fresh Shoulders	12c
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Upwards of 750 Pieces Attractively Boxed

Representing the entire sample Line of a large Boston manufacturer whose reputation for daintiness and exquisite taste as a maker of Women's Neckwear places him among the foremost manufacturers of this country concluded last Monday after a great deal of deliberation to sell us his entire sample line at a uniform discount of 50 per cent.

Now of course these goods have been used in his show room and by his men on the road for the taking of orders and some few pieces are somewhat soiled or roughed up from handling but the bulk look as clean and attractive as when turned out fresh and new from the factory.

The assortment contains styles that have sold from 25c to $1.50 each and the usual procedure with a purchase of his kind would be to hold it for a January Sale. But we decided to give Christmas buyers a chance at a bargain and we sorted them into three lots and will offer them today and every day until Christmas

At 15c, 25c and 50c Each

Extra tables have been placed for the display and sale of this lot and special salesgirls will be placed in charge of each table so as to make purchasing rapid and convenient.

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There is no better present than a good knife. It pleases everybody. Our line is beyond description. Elegant Pearl and Shell Handle Knives, Combination Knives, Boys' Knives with chain. Prices to suit any purse .... 10c to $10.00

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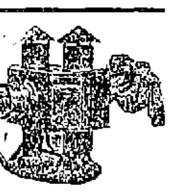

This is a most interesting instrument—better than a magic lantern for you can use any kind of picture. It shows upon a screen any postal you may have in all its colors. Prices .... $3.50 to $20.00

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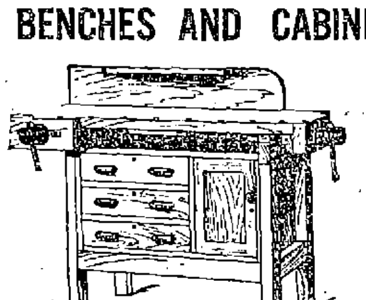

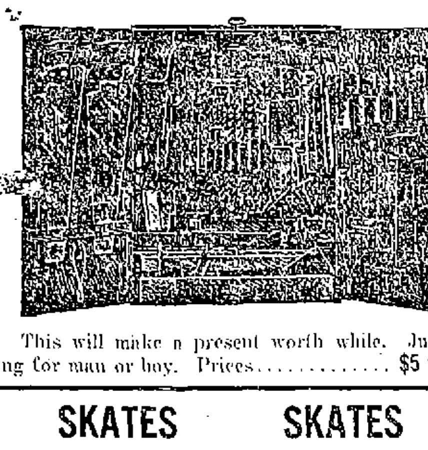

This will make a present worth while. Just the thing for man or boy. Prices .... $5 to $50

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Barney & Berry's—full line. Skating is popular and it is fine skating now.

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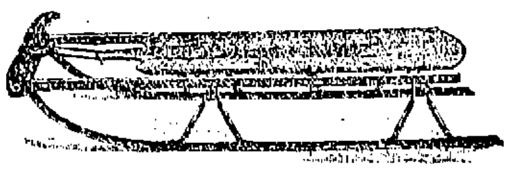

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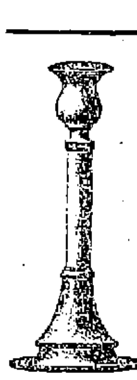

We have an extensive line of articles in Brass. These are the popular presents this year. We have an elegant line of Candlesticks from 15c to $8

Over 100 patterns to select from. Nothing better for a present.

We also have a full line of Shades and Cuirasses and Candles.

BRASS DISHES	BRASS TEA CADDIES
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Hot Water Bottles—We have a full line of these in Nickel and Leather Covers—also cases for same. This is something every auto owner should have.

Pint Size $3.00, Quart Size $5.00

Baldwin Tumbler Holders, 2's, 4's, 6's.

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Anything needed in the Cutlery line we have. Scissors of every kind—Desk Scissors, Scissor Sets, Stork Scissors, Manicure Scissors, Manicure Sets, Grape and Flower Scissors.

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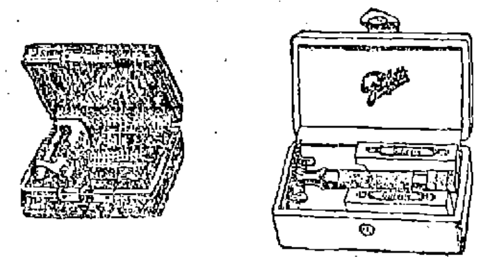
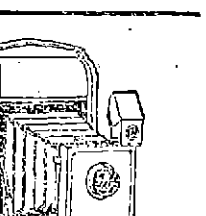


We also have all the other safety patterns and old style razors.

Christmas Popcorn, all shelled ...... 6c lb., 5 lbs, 25c
Try our new All Steel Popper 25c

KODAKS

$1 to $35



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Beautiful Brass Andirons, Screens, Baskets, Shovels, Tongs and Bellows.

CARVERS IN SETS

A most acceptable present. Prices .... 75c to $25

A beautiful assortment to select from.

PLATED WARE—We carry nothing but the best quality in this line.

Barometers, Thermometers

Christmas Candy

1000 BOXES OF

FANCY RIBBON CANDY

2 Pounds Each 25c

MARSHMALLOW SANTA CLAUS

GOOD TO EAT

Just the thing for the Christmas Tree,

10c For a Box of Eight

CHRISTMAS MARSHMALLOW TURKEYS

10 in a neat Box, for 10c

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Apothecaries

SENSATIONAL RESCUES

Made at an Incendiary Fire in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Sensational rescues, a semi-panic in an adjoining hospital and operations of sneak thieves in nearby buildings, featured an incendiary fire in an East 33rd street apartment building today. Two men narrowly escaped death, one being swung across an airshaft dangling from a rope's end and another plunging through the glass of a closed window several feet away to escape incineration.

Fire, starting on the fourth floor, found oil-soaked woodwork to feed upon and the hallways were soon filled with smoke, cutting off escape by the ordinary exits. Most of the tenants were rescued by the fire escapes or by means of ladders and the firemen turned their attention to the airshafts. On the fourth floor Gustav Linnell, a draughtsman, was found by policemen, who made their way up through an adjoining house, clinging to a window sill backed by flames. He held on until firemen appeared on the roof with a rope which they lowered and directed the man to fasten about his body. He did so and high in the air was swung across the shaft into the arms of the waiting policemen.

Jerold Farrell was another man caught in a fifth floor room on the airshaft. Although the firemen shouted to him not to jump Farrell fearing he would be burned to death leaped across the airshaft to a closed window of the next building. His arms smashed in the glass and his body hung for a moment on the sill. Policemen appeared and dragged him in.

The Polyclinic hospital in the rear of the burning building was filled with smoke and the patients became alarmed. The entire force from the students' and nurses' home nearby had to be called to the scene to calm the fears of the excited inmates. Guests in the Delaware hotel at 34th street hurriedly packed their belongings but did not have to leave the building. Several flats in nearby houses which had been abandoned by their owners were found later to have been entered and ransacked by sneak thieves. The fire gutted the two upper floors of the apartment building but the damage is not heavy.

Are You Half Sick?

Just sick enough to feel heavy heeled, lazy and listless, to have no appetite, to sleep badly; just sick enough to feel restless and nervous, and to have what you eat feel like lead in your stomach; not sick enough to take to bed or call a doctor, but just sick enough to not know what to do.

Ninety-nine times out of one hundred these symptoms are all caused by the stomach, bowels, liver and digestive organs. Now, all this can be remedied in one night by taking Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills.

Anyone suffering from chronic constipation, biliousness, sick headache or liver complaint can tone up the entire system, elevate the spirits and again make life really worth living by a single week's use of Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills. You will have a good appetite and sleep well. They are Nature's laxative, entirely different from anything you have ever taken before. Physicians use and recommend. They form no habit. You should always keep them on hand. These little Vegetable Pills will ward off many ills.

To Cure Constipation Biliousness and Sick Headache in a Night, use

SMITH'S PINEAPPLE AND BUTTERNUT PILLS — FOR Constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache and Diseases of the Stomach and Bowels. NATURE'S LAXATIVE. PRICE 25¢

60 Pills in Glass Vial 25c.—All Dealers.

SMITH'S BUCHU LITHIA KIDNEY PILLS For Sick Kidneys Bladder Diseases, Rheumatism, the one best remedy. Reliable, endorsed by leading physicians; safe, effectual. Results lasting. On the market 15 years. Have cured thousands. 60 pills in original glass package, 50 cents. Trial boxes, 50 pills, 25 cents. All druggists sell and recommend.

CORSET STEEL

Saved the Life of Chicago Woman

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A corset steel probably saved the life of Miss Ethel Eitelhuber, when a shot was fired through a bedroom window of her home last evening in an attempt to kill her.

The shades were drawn, but as Miss Eitelhuber was standing near the window her shadow on the curtain gave the would-be murderer his mark. The bullet went through her dress, but when it struck the corset steel it glanced off.

PITCHER TORREY

MAY BE TRADED TO THE NEW YORK TEAM

CINCINNATI, Dec 22.—That Pitcher Outfielder Torrey, who played last season with the Logan Squares of Chicago, will be traded to New York either for Second Baseman Herzog or Third Baseman Fletcher is intimated by Manager Griffith. He says a deal is pending between New York and Cincinnati, and that if it comes through he will get two players and give three. One of the men to be given is Torrey, he intimates, though he will not say definitely that the Chicago man is to go to New York. President Herrmann, however, says Brush and McGraw both want Torrey, and that he is trying to fix up a deal for his transfer.

See our $5.00 bag, sole leather, hand stitched. Others ask $7.50. Devine's, 124 Merrimack st.

THE NOBLE WILL

Involving Estate Valued at $1,000,000 Was Allowed

TAUNTON, Dec. 22.—The contest over the will of Elizabeth F. Noble of Mansfield, involving an estate valued at nearly $1,000,000, and the bulk of which was given to humane societies and religious and charitable institutions, ended yesterday morning, so far as the probate court is concerned, when Judge Fuller allowed the will, but granted a motion of the contestants that a certificate be issued to the supreme judicial court for a jury trial.

The will was presented for probate by the executors, Robert Moore of New York city and Charles C. Hagerty of Mansfield, and after several days' hearing on its admission in November, a postponement was taken until yesterday.

A motion was filed in the meantime by the contestants' counsel, Thomas J. Boynton, Jennings, Morton & Brayton of Fall River and Clarence J. Shearn of New York, for a certificate for a jury trial to the supreme judicial court.

In his decree allowing the will Judge Fuller finds that it was legally executed, that Mrs. Noble was of sound mind when it was made, and that the petitioners, Moore and Hagerty, are competent persons to be appointed to the trust.

In the certificate for a jury trial, Judge Fuller notes that there was no question raised as to fraud or undue influence, but that the issue apparently was the testamentary capacity of Mrs. Noble.

Evidence of that nature has frequently been submitted to a jury, in his observation, and while he believed that a judge in such a case is a better tribunal than a jury he was of the opinion that the contestants' counsel may reasonably ask the supreme court to submit the case to a jury, and hence issued the certificate.

LIVELY CONTESTS

For Officers of Y. M. C. I. Next Week

The regular weekly meeting of the Y. M. C. I. was held at the rooms in Starkpole street last evening, with a large attendance; President William King in the chair. Five new names were proposed and five members admitted. After the routine business of the meeting had been transacted, the chaplain, Rev. John P. O'Brien, gave a lengthy and interesting address.

WILLIAM KING
President

Great interest is being taken in the election of officers which will be held at the next meeting on next Tuesday evening. There are several spirited but friendly contests under way. The candidates for president are William King, the present incumbent, under whose administration the society has enjoyed a most flourishing term, and Vice President James V. Tully. There are four candidates for vice president, Frank McGlone, Frank Lang, John Cleary and George Clark.

Michael O'Keefe, the present financial secretary, is a candidate for reelection, while Peter Kearney is the candidate for recording secretary.

There are three hustling candidates for a position on the board of trustees, James Gilligan, Charles McCort and Patrick Farrell. For marshal, John Tansey and William Marren are the candidates.

On Christmas afternoon the annual Christmas tree will be held and a most interesting program will be carried out. The tree will be laden with appropriate gifts for the members from their friends which will be distributed during the afternoon. The members and their gentlemen friends are cordially invited to be present and encourage the committee which has worked hard to make the affair a grand success. The committee consists of James Gilligan, John Cleary, William Harrington and William O'Meara.

A LARGE SUM

WILL BE SPENT ON VESSELS OF THE NAVY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Exactly $42,430,476 will be spent on vessels of the navy now under construction during the fiscal years 1910 to 1913, inclusive, under the estimates submitted to congress by the navy department. Of this amount $30,732,564 will be for hulls and $11,697,913 for machinery. The total amount during the current fiscal year is estimated at $24,520,755; for 1911 it totals $13,376,220, for 1912 and 1913 it aggregates $4,534,501.

TUG PORTLAND FLOATED

YORK, Me., Dec. 22.—The tug Portland was brought into this harbor late last night after being floated at high tide by the tug M. Mitchell Davis of Portsmouth and the wrecking lighters Trilby and Charles Lawrence of Boston. The Portland struck on Stones rock just outside of Portsmouth on Dec. 10 and sank after being pulled off. It was planned to drag her high up on the beach here today to make temporary repairs. She is owned by the Central Wharf Towing Co. of Portland, Me.

A LONG RACE

Parents Cross Continent to See Son

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 22.—After a race across the continent, through blizzards that delayed them until it was almost too late, Horatio Walker, an artist of New York, and his wife arrived here yesterday as surgeons were placing their son, Horatio Walker, Jr., under the influence of an anaesthetic preparatory to an operation.

The young man, a physician of note, had been waiting eagerly to say goodbye to his father and mother, but despairing of seeing them gave the order for the surgeons to proceed. They arrived after he had been taken into the operating room and were granted ten minutes in which to see their son.

Dr. Walker survived the operation, but his condition is precarious today.

HE JUMPED BAIL

Boston Officers Lost Their Man

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Police headquarters was notified yesterday that Inspectors Rooney and Patterson, who left this city two weeks ago for the purpose of bringing to Boston Edward F. Gormley of Lynn, who was located in Seattle, Wash., will have to return without their man.

A year ago Gormeley was convicted of the larceny of $500 from Fred R. Day of North Barre, Vt., secured through an automobile sale, and was out on $2000 bail pending sentence. The bail was furnished by his wife, who lives at Lynn. It was through her efforts that Gormeley was located at Seattle. When it became known that he had quit the state an attachment was placed on her property and she at once began tracing him, finally succeeding in locating him in Seattle, where he was conducting a sales stable under the nam eof Bowen.

As soon as Mrs. Gormeley located her husband she telegraphed the Seattle police, informing them that he was wanted here. He was arrested and held in $1000 bail on a charge of being a fugitive from justice. Gormeley furnished the amount required and quietly sold his business and has not been seen or heard from since.

Gormeley formerly was well known in horse trading circles in Lynn.

NEW YORK SCHOOLS

HAVE TAKEN UP PHYSICAL TRAINING

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—For the first time in the history of elementary school education in New York physical training will be marked as any other subject in the higher schools, and the physical efficiency of the students will be one of the items determining graduation from the grade schools.

"If a child fails to receive a passing mark in physical training and hygiene," says Supt. Maxwell, in a statement, "it should be immediately returned to the school physician for examination and a special report of the case made. Similar standards should determine the progress of the child from grade to grade."

Commenting on the new requirement, Dr. C. Ward Crampton, director of physical training in the public schools, said:

"Too many immature weaklings are passed into the high school every year, only to find that the work is too severe for them, and the great high school mortality is found to be due to a lack of vigor of this class of students. Under the new requirements this will be avoided."

Toilet sets put up in leather cases, Devine's, 124 Merrimack st.

NORTH BILLERICA

Special services will be held at St. Anne's Mission Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Mr. E. A. Paul of Cambridge will officiate and Christmas carols will be sung. At the conclusion of the services Christmas tree exercises will be held. Presents will be distributed to the children.

Similar exercises will be held at the North Billerica Baptist church on Friday night.

CODE QUESTIONS

Caused a Clash Among Women

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—What is the proper hour for a young man to leave when calling on a co-ed?

What details of chaperonage should woman-deans follow in piloting their girl charges through the social shoals?

What attitude shall the girls take toward students who drink and smoke in public places?

These and similar social code questions caused a clash in the fourth biennial conference of the deans of women's state universities yesterday. They were expected to close their meeting late in the afternoon, but the schism over the problems of social ethics caused an adjournment to today.

THE GRAND JURY

May Make Known Its Findings Today

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—When the Essex county grand jury met today it was expected that it would early make known its findings in the bathtub murder case, evidence concerning which was placed before it yesterday.

Although no indictments had been officially announced up to today, Prosecutor Mott appeared satisfied with the outcome of the proceedings in which he brought witnesses to show the alleged connection of Mrs. Caroline B. Martin, mother of the victim, and Mrs. Mary Snead and Miss Virginia Wardlaw, her aunts, with the mysterious death of Mrs. Occy W. M. Snead in East Orange, N. J.

The next step of the New Jersey authorities following the finding of indictments will be an application to Gov. Fort of Trenton for requisition papers to have the two prisoners in this city taken to New Jersey for trial.

ADMIRAL MASON

Wants a Magazine at Guantanamo

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Chasing revolutionists with Guantanamo as a base, figures in the report of the recent hearing of Rear Admiral N. E. Mason, chief of the naval bureau of ordnance, before the house naval affairs committee. Admiral Mason was explaining his estimates for a naval magazine at the Guantanamo naval station.

"We do not need the magazine there absolutely," he admitted in recognition of the general policy of pruning government expenses.

"Do the ships get down there?" asked Chairman Foss of the committee.

"They are down there every winter," replied the admiral. "And the gunboats that are chasing the revolutionists are down there all the time and their ammunition is landed and they put it under canvas.

"It is a little rough on the powder."

LAST CALL

Reduction Sale

Men's Suits

Last chance to get in right on your clothing needs. Don't wait for the January sales. The prices can go no lower.

MEN'S SUITS WORTH $6.00 AND $8.00 If you want a good wearing suit for little money come and look at these. Greatest value for the price we have ever offered. All sizes in up to date colors. Only a few at **$4.00**

MEN'S SUITS WORTH $10.00 Our fall suits at this price we intend closing out at $7.50. Only 100 suits left. All classy patterns and good fitters. Still a good assortment but getting smaller every day. Priced at **$7.50**

MEN'S SUITS WORTH $12.95 Come, look them over in detail. If you know quality and material you will appreciate their value. They are hard worsteds and cassimeres, full weight. Marked down to **$9.50**

MEN'S SUITS WORTH $16.00 AND $18.00 Snappy suits for young men. All the latest colorings and patterns in tweeds, serges and worsteds. Every garment hand finished which assures proper fit in the shoulders. Reduced to **$12.50**

MEN'S SUITS WORTH $25.00 AND $28.00 Only a few of these left. These are our highest grade suits and are perfection of the tailor's art. They fit like custom made. Made of finest woolens. Marked at **$20.00**

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CHICKENS

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Geese	18c and 20c
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English Walnuts	10c lb.
Cranberries	5c qt.
Mince Meat	6c pkg.
Currants	8c pkg.
Seedless Sultana Raisins	5c pkg.
Jello, All Flavors	6c pkg.
Best Canned Raspberries	12c
Best Canned Strawberries	8c

Christmas Trees, Wreaths and Trimmings

Trees.....35c to $4.00
Wreaths.....10c to 30c each
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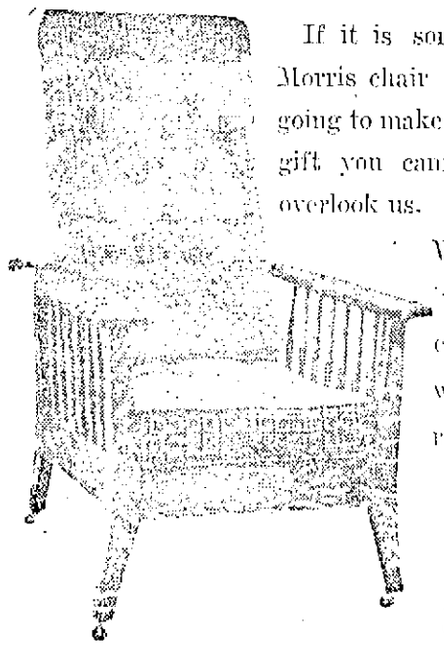
Something in Morris Chairs For a Holiday Gift



If it is something in a Morris chair that you are going to make your holiday gift you cannot afford to overlook us.

We are showing an almost endless variety with a broad range in prices.

$9.00 to $50.00

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DR. COOK'S PERFIDY

Has Caused Humiliation to Copenhagen and Minister Egan

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 22.—The morning papers generally find comfort for the Cook affair in the thought that the only fault that may be charged against the Danes is that they accepted the explorer's word as that of a gentleman.

The Politiken says:

"Frankly, we regret only that an honorary degree was bestowed upon this man by the university of Copenhagen. But one member of the university council advised against the action taken."

The Koebenhavn says:

"Cook's abasing of the university is his greatest shame. Fortunately the university itself tells the world of its mistake."

Other papers recall that all the Scandinavian explorers who were acquainted with Cook supported him and insist that under the circumstances any other city would have given the explorer a similar reception. They intimate that at the time other cities envied Copenhagen its opportunity to first welcome and honor him.

MINISTER EGAN'S REGRET

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—"The ladies of Denmark will never believe that Dr. Cook was wrong and my daughter, who is with me, will weep when she hears the report," said Dr. Maurice Francis Egan, American minister to Denmark whom the Danes now partly blame for his strong partisanship of Dr. Cook which led them to recognize the American explorer on his arrival in Copenhagen as the discoverer of the North pole.

Dr. Egan reached here today on the steamship Oscar II and will remain during the holidays.

Minister Egan talked freely regarding his own part in the enthusiastic reception of Dr. Cook at Copenhagen which led to the acclaim of Dr. Cook as a hero all over the civilized world.

"What I did for Dr. Cook," said the minister, "I don't believe influenced the Danes appreciably in their reception of the explorer. Cook reached Copenhagen with a story of polar conquest which there was then no reason to doubt. Danish explorers vouched for Cook's standing in the world of discovery and received him with open arms.

"I myself welcomed him, not only as an American seeking civilization after harrowing experiences and needing assistance, but as a citizen who from his own undisputed story had accomplished a great task.

"Officially I did practically nothing for Cook, but to supply him with clothing and give him a small reception which newspapermen attended. His presentation to the king came about as a result of the crown prince's desire to meet the explorer.

"The Danes, I believe, have no disposition to consider Dr. Cook as the representative of a characteristic American type."

Reverting to the decision of the university of Copenhagen against Cook, Minister Egan said that the finding of that institution was of course final unless the matter should be reopened by the presentation of the material said to have been left by the explorer at Etah.

"The Danes" said he, "are the most competent judges in such matters and I am forced to accept their opinion. I can't, however, bring myself to believe that Cook deliberately set out to deceive the world. I still believe that Cook is an honest man who believed that he had accomplished what he claimed and must have been mistaken through lack of scientific knowledge."

BUY EYE GLASSES FOR CHRISTMAS

There is no better present for those who need them. If they are intended as a surprise we'll gladly enter into the spirit of it. We'll match the old lenses precisely or change them after Christmas. Just now we are showing some neat new styles, elegant but not expensive.

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GIVE HIM A

SAFETY RAZOR

For Christmas

He will use it, never fear, and thank you from his heart every time he shaves.

WE ARE AGENTS FOR
GILLETTE, $5 to $25
DURHAM-DUPLEX, $5 Up
EVER-READY, $1
GEM, JR., $1
AUTO-STROP, $5
YALE, $5
MODEL, 39c
A 50c Razor
SHAVING BRUSHES, 10c to $5 Each

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OF NEW ENGLAND
APOTHECARIES

RUNAWAY HORSES

Were Stopped by Wm. D. Whittet

William D. Whittet, the florist, stopped a pair of runaway horses in Church street, near the railroad crossing yesterday afternoon about 4.30 o'clock. His timely action probably saved the lives of several children who were in the path of the animals.

The horses had been left standing near the corner of Church and Lawrence streets for some time and growing restless they started to stamp their feet and shake their heads. In so doing they pulled the end of the reins from the seat and as the reins fell on their backs they started to run down the street. One side of the street had a thin coating of ice and a number of children were skating.

Mr. Whittet, who was passing at the time, saw the danger that the children were in and rushing into the street succeeded in stopping the horses before they reached the young ones.

150 MEN IDLE

Fire in Shipbuilding Plant

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Fire this morning destroyed a block and a half of the large shipbuilding plant of T. S. Marvel Co., including the engine and boiler house, the iron-forming department, moulding room and saw mill. The loss will aggregate about $75,000. About 150 men are thrown out of work.

OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Holiday Information From The Talbot Clothing Co.

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WE carry a very large stock of Men's and Boys' Shirts, always have new designs to show and from the best makers.

SHIRTS, CUFFS ATTACHED, coat style, in new neat stripe effects, Yorke and Eagle make ..... $1.00, $1.50, $2.00 each

SHIRTS, with separate cuffs, regular or coat style, light and dark patterns, $1.00, $1.50 each

WHITE NEGLIGEE SHIRTS, cuffs on or off, plain or plaited fronts at $1.00, $1.50 each

BOYS' ATTRACTIVE SHIRTS, cuffs on or separate, white and neat color effects, 45c, 75c

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WAY'S MUFFLERS, roll collar to snap around neck, several plain colors, 45c each

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Lightening the Cost of Your Holiday Purchases

Thursday Bargain Day

We think it of more advantage to you and also ourselves to mark our stocks down now, when you need them most, and when you will appreciate the savings more than if we wait until January.

Some quantities are large, some are small, but come Thursday morning for the best choosing. It isn't necessary to know the size, we will make any exchange or refund the money after Christmas.

Tea aprons of plain dotted or cross-bar muslin, ruffle of pretty embroidery or lace, some with ribbon bows at the pocket, styles we have sold for 29c and 39c, all now reduced to 25c

Tea aprons of dotted muslin, ruffle or embroidery or lace insertions with edge, pocket and long strings. Styles we have always sold for 69c, all now reduced to 50c

Hand embroidered tailored Irish linen waists, new styles which we have been selling for $2.97, $3.50, $3.97, $4.50, all now reduced to $2.50

Lingerie, lace, messaline an dtaffeta silk waists, all new styles which we have been selling for $5.00, all now reduced to $3.97

Lingerie, lace, messaline and taffeta waists, your choice of any of our regular $3.97 waists, now reduced to $2.97

Lingerie and taffeta silk waists, styles which we have sold for $2.97 and $3.50, button front or back. A few short sleeve waists in the lot, now reduced to $2.50

Lingerie and all wool waists, some styles that sold for $2.97, all now reduced to $1.50

Tailored waists of pure Irish linen, none sold for less than $1.97, all now reduced to $1.25

Lingerie and tailored waists, white and colors, some of them were $1.97, now reduced to 97c

Petticoats of fine taffeta silk, blacks and colors, some with all silk dust ruffle. An unusually large assortment of styles. Every petticoat worth $5, now reduced to $3.97

Black and colored silk petticoats, about 15 different shades, they are regular $3.98 petticoats, but by taking a large quantity for our three stores, we are going to offer you a bargain at $2.97

Double mercerized permanent finish sateen, genuine Heatherbloom and gloria petticoats, formerly priced $2.50 and $2.97, now reduced to $1.97

Chemise, gowns and combinations and petticoats, daintily trimmed with lace and embroidery or pretty combinations of both, formerly priced $2.50 and $2.97, now reduced to $1.97

Petticoats, gowns, chemise and combination lace and embroidery trimmed and prettily trimmed with ribbon, now reduced to $1.50

To Give Opportunity to Arrange the Goods, Store Will Not Open Until 10 O'Clock Thursday Morning

$5.00 will be paid to any who will show us any misstatement or exaggeration in any of our advertisements.

The White Store
114—Merrimack St.—116

It isn't necessary to know the size, we will exchange any garment or refund the money on any purchase.

THRIFTY PEOPLE

No Destitution Among Portuguese Colony

"Are there many poor people among the Portuguese of Lowell?" was asked of Rev. Fr. Rosa, pastor of St. Anthony's church, this morning.

"My dear friend, we're all poor," promptly answered the zealous pastor of the Portuguese Catholics of this city.

"The Portuguese people," continued Fr. Rosa, "are an industrious, thrifty, sober and intelligent lot. They are not endowed with much of the world's goods, but they are hard workers and make every dollar count. There are no well-to-do Portuguese in Lowell and I believe there are no destitute families in the parish. If there are, we'll attend to their wants at once."

Christmas is observed by the Portuguese as by the Catholics of other nationalities, with religious services of exceptional beauty and by feasting at the homes, the giving of presents, etc. The Portuguese claim as close kinship to old Santa Claus as do the other races, and Christmas trees and stockings by the fireside will be found in their homes when the great holiday arrives.

WOOD'S EMPORIUM

OF JEWELRY AND SUITABLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

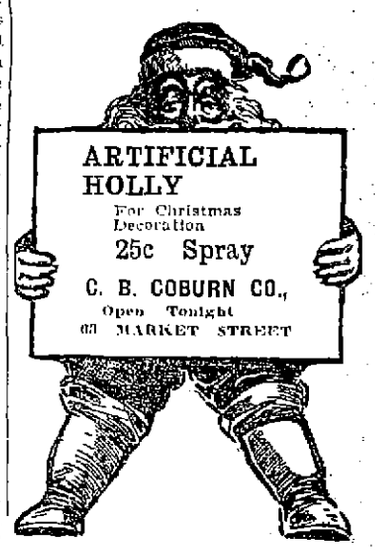
"What shall I give them?" This is a question that at this time is predominant in the minds of the people. It is one thing to think of giving and another, to think of what would be suitable to the person. The majority of times the giver thinks of a piece of jewelry, but there are different kinds of jewelry, and it would not be just the proper thing to give a friend a gift that in a few months would be worthless and would not add to the esteem that the person would have for you. Therefore, if you are considering giving a piece of gold or silver as a present this year, why not visit the store of Millard F. Wood, (the Merrimack street jeweler and make your selection from a stock, comprising the latest novelties from the various marts, gold and silver ware of the highest standard of excellence, cut glass, that for quality and prices cannot be outdone by any dealer north of Boston, and the most satisfactory part of trading at this store is the guarantee of the owner that is given with every piece of stock sold. The store is adequately clerked, having in all 17 attendants, whose suggestions are unlimited.

Call in and approach a clerk for a suggestion. It costs nothing.

A special offering of diamonds for the remaining days from $22.50 to $50. The diamonds will set according to the wishes of the buyer, setters of experience will set the stones while you are waiting.

The advertisement of the store appears in another column and several appropriate gifts are mentioned. Why not consult it before shopping and make yourself acquainted with the stock that this store carries.

The store is numbered 104 Merrimack street and faces John street.



Premium Grocery Co.

405 CENTRAL ST., CORNER CHARLES ST.

Free Delivery Telephone 2609

Finest Groceries at the Lowest Possible Prices

Sweet Florida Oranges 15c Doz.

Specials For Xmas Week

FIGS 15c Lb.

Potatoes ..... 14c pk.
Onions, large and fancy ..... 20c pk.
Cabbage ..... 1c lb.
York State Pea Beans ..... 8c qt.
Cranberries ..... 5c qt.
Citron ..... 15c lb.
Orange Peel ..... 15c lb.
Lemon Peel ..... 15c lb.
Spanish Olives, stuffed ..... 10c and 25c jar
New Mixed Nuts ..... 15c lb.
Fancy Seeded Raisins ..... 8c pkg.
Currants ..... 9c pkg.
New Dates ..... 8c lb.

CANNED GOODS

Finest Tomatoes Packed ..... 8c can
Corn ..... 8c can
Peas ..... 9c can
Salmon ..... 9c can
Karo Corn Syrup ..... 9c can
Sardines ..... 4c can

Prunes ..... 5c lb.
Rice ..... 4c lb.
Pearl Barley ..... 4c lb.
Pearl Tapioca ..... 5c lb.
Corn Starch ..... 5c pkg.
Rolled Oats, New ..... 3 1-2c pkg.
Corn Meal ..... 3c pkg.
Macaroni ..... 8c pkg.
Spaghetti ..... 8c pkg.
Stickney and Poor Pepper, 1-4 lb. pkg ..... 5c pkg.
Fine Table Salt ..... 4c bag
Fine Bread Flour, warranted ..... 85c bag
$6.75 Bbl.

BUTTER, EGGS, TEAS and COFFEES

Fine Creamery Butter ..... 33c lb.
Full Cream Cheese ..... 20c lb.
Fresh Select Eggs ..... 27c doz.
Fine Blended Teas ..... 18c, 25c and 38c lb.
Fresh Roasted Coffee ..... 16c, 20c and 25c lb.
Fancy and Mixed Cookies ..... 3 lbs. for 25c

Leave Your Orders With Us. Free Delivery to All Parts of City.

OPEN EVENINGS. OPEN EVENINGS.

A TRAGIC DEATH

Bedford, N. H., Man's Body Found at Red Cliff, Col.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 22.—A tragic death was apparently the fate of Melvin Kilton a prominent resident of Bedford, who disappeared in November. Today a despatch was received from Coroner Gilpin of Red Cliff, Colo. stating that Kilton's body had been found at that place. It is supposed that the man met a violent end. Kilton left home on Novembe 3 for the purpose of visiting friends in San Francisco and elsewhere on the Pacific coast. When he failed to arrive at his destination his relatives in Bedford wore notified. As time went on and no message came from Kilton his relatives engaged detectives to investigate the case.

Red Cliff is the county seat of Eagle county and is on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, 20 miles north of Leadville.

PLEADED GUILTY

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—Charles L. Warriner, deposed local treasurer of the Big Four railroad, pleaded guilty to embezzlement and was sentenced in the common pleas court today to serve six years in the Ohio penitentiary.

WANTS 10,000 MEN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—"I want to get 10,000 men for the naval militia as well trained as any and in good physical condition so that we can call upon them and put them in the service of the navy immediately in case war breaks out, not as organizations, but as individuals."

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Winthrop made this statement at a hearing before the house committee on naval affairs. "The naval militia," he added, "are getting up a hill which I am working over, to bring them into closer relationship with the navy department than heretofore and to insure that they will be thoroughly equipped and well trained."

WANT NATIONAL PARK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—In the report of the committee of landscape architects recommending the creation of a national park at Niagara Falls which was transmitted to congress yesterday with the favorable endorsement of Secretary of War Dickinson, much detail concerning the committee's plan is given.

The committee urges that a strip of property be acquired by the United States connecting with the state reservation at one end and extending the whole length of the gorge, embracing the Talus, the cliff and a fract of land not less than one hundred yards wide to be converted into a national reservation. By additional legislation and agreements with the Canadian government the diversion of water for power purposes should, in the opinion of the committee, be kept in such limits that the impressiveness of the cataract shall not be diminished. Concurring with the recommendations for a reservation, Secretary Dickinson leaves the question of its general scope and the acquisition of land to the judgment and liberality of congress.

"It will be generally conceded," says the secretary, "that the preservation of the scenic features of this great waterfall is an object which appeals with peculiar force to the American people and the object can best be attained by the acquisition of such lands on the American side of the river as are necessary to the establishment of such a national park."

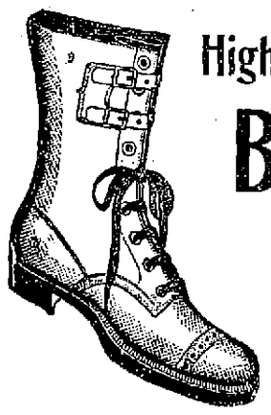
LIQUOR SEIZED

COLUMBUS, Ga., Dec. 22.—The biggest raid here of the entire year, measured in results, took place yesterday afternoon, when Sheriff Dard and his deputies, armed with warrants sworn out by Solicitor-General Palmer, entered a store on Triangle street, in the business section and captured three barrels of whiskey on tap, six full barrels, 17 cases, 100 pints and three gallon jugs of whiskey.

The proprietor, D. L. Richards, of Girard, Ala., was arrested on the charge of violating the prohibition law and gave bond in the sum of $2000. The whiskey confiscated aggregated about 750 gallons.

O'Sullivan Bros. Co.

The Store Where People Find What They Want.



High Cut Storm BOOTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Young ladies and young men delight to wear them. We have these Boots in tan with two buckles and straps—and in black from 11 to 5 1-2, $1.50 and $2.00.

Remember the Boys and Girls for Christmas—These Will Please Either.

O'Sullivan Bros. Co.

The Big Shoe House of Lowell.

OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

Boston Cloak and Suit Store

Originators of Good Clothes For Little Money

228 Merrimack Street Sign of the Bear

Thousands of Dollars of Dependable Furs at

PRICES THAT TALK

We manufacture our own Furs and sell them to you direct at Wholesale Prices.

$10 Black Coney Sets	$3.98	$18 Marmot Sets	$12.50
$18 Black Coney Sets	$10.50	$15 Gray Squirrel Sets	$9.75
$50 Mink Sets, large Shawl and Rug Muff	$29.50	$35 White Polar Sets	$22.00
$20 Mink Scarfs	$12.50	$25 Jap Mink Sets	$18.75
$5 Opossum Scarfs and Muffs	$1.98	$27.50 Fox Sets	$14.50
$10 Opossum Muffs	$4.75	Children's Sets	89c to $10.00
$50 Black Fox Sets	$35.00	French Coney Coats	$22.00
$110 Mink Sets	$75.00	Marmot Coats	$42.75
$175 Mink Sets	$125.00	Caracul Fur Coats	$34.50
$35 New Lynx Sets, large Muff and Shawl	$18.50	Russian Pony Coats	$29.00
$18 Black Hungarian Fox Muff	$10.75	50 Inch Near Seal Coats	$65.00
$25 Persian Paw Sets	$12.50	River Mink Coats	$62.50
		Siberian Squirrel Coats	$79.00

CLOTH COATS AND SUITS AT CUT PRICES

CHILDREN'S COATS AT $1.98, $2.75, $3.50 to $15

Waists, 49c, 98c, $1.25, $1.49, $1.75, $2 to $12.50

OPEN EACH EVENING UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

MR. SMOKER Thursday and Friday

FREE

12 "El Pristino" Ten Cent Cigars

With each 13 purchased at the regular price, $1.30.

THREE GOOD Combinations ALSO

HALL & LYON CO OF NEW ENGLAND APOTHECARIES

HE GETS $35,000

Fortune is Left to a Cobbler

WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—Cyrus E. Coburn, 69, came into possession yesterday of a fortune of $35,000, which has been through the hands of three persons within the past three months. Coburn, who is a cobbler, and still works in a little shop of his own, says the money will make no difference in his way of living, as he is not a spendthrift and intends to keep on living a simple life.

Last February the money was willed to Mrs. George B. Coburn by her mother. Mrs. Coburn died soon after, leaving the fortune to her husband, who in turn died suddenly Dec. 6. The fortune is principally in personal property.

BRUTAL MURDER

Night Operator Was the Victim

NORTH BAY, Ont., Dec. 22.—W. J. Dyson, night operator at Red Water, a flag station on the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario railway, fifty miles north of here, was brutally murdered last night. A man entered the station and became boisterous. Dyson was struggling with him when another rushed in and struck Dyson with a club, crushing his head. He lived only a short time. The murderer escaped into the bush.

SHOT BY FATHER

Boy Was Victim of an Accident

GREAT BARRINGTON, Dec. 22.—Kenneth Boice, the 15-year-old son of Frank Boice of North Egremont, was accidentally shot by his father yesterday afternoon and died soon after.

The boy was assisting his father in killing a beef. A rifle, which was to be used in killing the animal, went off prematurely in the hands of his father.

The boy's lung was penetrated and death soon resulted. Frank Boice is a well-known meat dealer of North Egremont and the son was a pupil at the Searles high school.

CITY MARSHAL OUT

BROCKTON, Dec. 22.—City Marshal Ira L. Kingman, rather than hold his office to embarrass Mayor-elect Clifford, resigned last night, and the resignation was accepted by Mayor Kent and the board of aldermen. It is understood that the aldermen, of whom a majority were republicans, had planned to refuse confirmation to any appointee to the office by the new mayor, who is a democrat, and thus leave Marshal Kingman indefinitely in the place he has held for four years.

JEFFRIES-JOHNSON BOUT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Jack Gleason, who is associated with Tex Rickard in the promotion of the Jeffries-Johnson fight, says that he does not think there is any chance that the big fight will be held in Salt Lake City and that he is willing to wager $5000 to that effect. Gleason argues that there is no possible show of getting positive assurance that the authorities will offer no interference and unless such assurance is received there is too much at stake to risk having the bout prevented at the last minute. He made the statement in response to one given out by Rickard, who seems to feel sure the fight will be staged in the Utah city.

CHESTER B. WILLIAMS

Chosen County Commissioner at Winchester Today

Chester B. Williams of Wayland, Mass., has been appointed county commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Samuel O. Upham. Mr. Williams will take office on the first Wednesday in January, 1910, to remain until his successor, to be chosen at the next state election, shall qualify, according to law.

To fill the vacancy from the present time until Mr. Williams takes office, Geo. A. Patch of Littleton was chosen. Mr. Patch is therefore at present an associate county commissioner and he will be a past commissioner after Mr. Williams relieves him of the cares of office.

The election to the vacancy took place at Winchester today, when a meeting of the commission was held, Chairman Levi F. Gould presiding.

Mr. Williams studied law but is at present engaged in mercantile pursuits.

STEAMER IS SAFE

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 22.—The steamer Berwind arrived safely in port today. She had been missing since Wednesday morning of last week, coming in easy stages to Duluth. Much concern had been felt as to her safety.

Lowell, Wednesday, December 22, 1909

A. G. Pollard Co.

Lowell's Biggest and Best Christmas Store

THREE DAYS ONLY LEFT—And so much shopping to be crowded into them. You can shop with more comfort and to your advantage at this store, for most departments have even now a big assortment. We feel that we must be pleasing you, for there never was a Christmas season when you accorded us so much business and never so few complaints. The busiest days are ahead of us but with your help and that of the weather man we'll have every Santa Claus in this section ready for his trip by Christmas eve. The Toys have been reduced in price and from now on you can save a third. See other adv. on page 5.

THE BOOK STORE

Makes this announcement concerning the great sale of Editions de Luxe. The following sets were in stock last night at closing time. We cannot order any more at these prices, in fact we shall not have any for sale after January first.

2 Ainsworth, 8 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	4 Muhlbach, 18 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$18.50
5 Burns, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	8 Poe, 10 vols., cloth, only	$9.00
4 Balzac, 18 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$18.50	8 Poe, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.00
5 Dante, H. W. L., 4 vols., cloth, only	$2.95	4 Plato, 3 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$3.90
3 Dante, H. W. L., 4 vols., lea., only	$6.25	3 Pepys' Diary, 4 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$6.25
3 De Maupassant, 10 vols., cloth, only	$7.50	5 Rawlinson, 5 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$6.25
1 De Maupassant, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$11.25	6 Smollett, 6 vols., cloth, only	$5.50
3 De Musset, 10 vols., cloth, only	$9.00	3 Smollett, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$7.50
2 De Musset, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.25	2 Scott, 24 vols., cloth, only	$17.50
2 Dickens, 20 vols., cloth, only	$14.75	3 Scott, 24 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$24.50
5 Dickens, 20 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$22.50	1 Shakespeare, 20 vols., S. S., only	$14.50
4 Dumas, 18 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$19.50	4 Shakespeare, 20 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$22.50
2 Emerson, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$6.00	1 Shakespeare, 20 vols., full lea., only	$29.50
2 Eliot, 8 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	11 Shakespeare, 10 vols., cloth, only	$8.75
2 Fielding, 6 vols., cloth, only	$5.50	7 Shakespeare, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.00
3 Fielding, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$7.50	6 Stevenson, 10 vols., cloth, only	$7.50
4 Gibbon, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$7.50	5 Stevenson, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$9.50
2 Guizot's Fr., 8 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	2 Sterne, 6 vols., cloth, only	$6.50
4 Hawthorne, 9 vols., cloth, only	$6.25	4 Sterne, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.25
7 Hawthorne, 9 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	4 Thackeray, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.50
3 Hugo, 10 vols., cloth, only	$7.50	3 Taine's Eng. Lit., 4 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$5.50
2 Hugo, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$10.50	4 Wilde, 10 vols., cloth, only	$7.75
3 Irving, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$11.75	3 Wilde, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$11.25
2 Kipling, 10 vols., cloth, only	$6.25	8 Addison, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
2 Kipling, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	7 Aurelius, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
2 Kingsley, 7 vols., cloth, only	$6.50	6 Bacon, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
3 Kingsley, 7 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$7.75	8 Chesterfield, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
4 Longfellow, 10 vols., cloth, only	$8.75	9 Epictetus, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
7 Longfellow, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.00	5 Franklin, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
5 Longfellow, 10 vols., full lea., only	$18.50	5 Lincoln, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
3 Lamb, 8 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.25	5 Webster, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25

Palmer Street Centre Aisle

Gifts for Men

Furnishings first always. That's why we prepare so extensively with stocks and with salespeople. Here's the biggest stock of gift togs to be found in Lowell. Exclusive styles from the very best makers:

HOSIERY	MUFFLERS
SUSPENDERS	NECKTIES
GARTERS	SHIRTS
SWEATERS	GLOVES
UNDERWEAR	PROTECTORS
STICK PINS	CUFF LINKS
BATH ROBES	HOUSE COATS

ETC., ETC.

And in this one department we've twenty bright young men to serve you.

EAST SECTION LEFT AISLE

Ladies' Gift Gloves

A stock nearly double the usual size is what counts in the long run of Christmas selling. While we prepared for a bigger-than-ever business this season, it's quite remarkable the way the assortment holds out. We've still all styles and shades in the popular prices,

$1, $1.25, $1.50, and $2

Each Pair in a Pretty, Appropriate Xmas Box.

WEST SECTION NORTH AISLE

A WAIST PATTERN Properly Boxed

We can Offer You the Following Special Values, But Don't Wait Till Friday

AT 43c PER PATTERN—Special values at this price in fancy White Goods and Fancy Colored Poplins, full 3½ yards in each box for 43c

AT 50c PER PATTERN—White Mercerized Novelties. Handsome designs, variety of patterns, full 3½ yards in each box, for 50c

AT 69c PER PATTERN—Regular 25c values in Mercerized Brilliants, cheviots, etc.; all white goods, full 3½ yards in each box, for 69c

AT 75c PER PATTERN—At this price we are offering some of the best values of the entire lot. All colored goods, plain colors and white and colored stripes, including mercerized suiting, linen, etc.; 25c to 42c goods; full 3½ yards in each box, for 75c

AT 89c PER PATTERN—25 different designs to select from; all highly mercerized and permanent finish; fancy jacquards, French brilliants, fancy piques, regular 29c values; full 3½ yards in each box, for 89c

ALSO 100 FANCY EMBROIDERED WAIST PATTERNS—In white, pink, blues, gray and brown; pongee, silk embroidered fronts, collars and cuffs; regular price $1.50; special price 89c

AT $1.00 PER PATTERN—Imported jacquards, poplins, German and English mercerized fancies, latest novelties in white waistings; regular price 35c yard; full 3½ yards in each box, for $1.00

AT $1.25 PER PATTERN—Fine imported silk and cotton novelties, white and colors, including the newest fabrics; regular 50c values; full 3½ yards in each box, for $1.25

HAND EMBROIDERED LINEN WAIST PATTERNS—We have been fortunate enough to be able to secure about 100 real Irish hand embroidered linen waist patterns in handsome new designs, neatly put up in boxes. Prices ranging from $2.00 to $10. Regular value from $4 to $15.

PALMER STREET CENTRE AISLE

ADMIRING WOMEN

Laud the Praises of Madame Yale

Notwithstanding the excitement of Christmas shopping, the women are still talking of Mme. Yale's talk at the Opera House on Monday afternoon, and there's a great hanging on of women around Dows' drug store since that time, seeking for a personal interview with this world famous expert on feminine grace and beauty, who was brought here by Mr. Dows. The latter is the sole agent for Mme. Yale's beauty preparation, and hence the crowd at the store.

Madame Yale's gowns are magnificent, and she is a superb example of what physical culture can do in the way of keeping a woman young. Her figure is rounded like a child's, and she is all suppleness and grace. She made three changes in costume, showing four beautiful gowns.

After her change of costume, with each of which she spoke most interestingly of the moral side of physical beauty, calisthenics and the poetry of motion, she commended the enterprising spirit of the Dows' Drug company, in making it possible for her to visit Lowell and to put her specialties on sale here. After the lecture there was a grand rush for the drug store, where there was a special sale of the preparations. One of her experienced demonstators is at the store, and can tell the ladies all about the goods.

Seeing Madame Yale upon the platform it is difficult to realize that she has been before the public thirty years, demonstrating the art of keeping young and beautiful. Her beauty and grace might well be envied by many a young girl of 18.

DEATHS

TIBBETTS—Mr. Marston Tibbetts, a brother-in-law of H. F. Whiting of this city, died in Seattle, Wash., Dec. 20.

SULLIVAN—John Sullivan, formerly a resident of Springfield, but of recent years a resident of this city, died yesterday at the City hospital, aged 63 years. The body was removed to the funeral chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

CATTERALL—Catherine B. Catterall, infant daughter of John and Mary Catterall, died yesterday at the home of her parents, 9 Coburn street, aged 24 days.

HIGSON—Marion Higson, infant daughter of Wm. D. and Harriet Higson, died last night at the home of her parents, 2 rear of 36 Agawam street, aged 4 months and 21 days.

HOUGH—Mrs. Charlotte R. Hough, wife of Frank B. Hough, died at her home in Centre street, Chelmsford Centre, last night, at the age of 44 years, 8 months and 6 days.

SMITH—Mrs. Carrie L. Smith, beloved wife of Wm. L. Smith of 325 Wentworth avenue, died yesterday afternoon at the Lowell General hospital, after a short illness. Her age was 43 years, 5 months and 16 days. She was born in Carlisle, but had been a resident of this city for the past 20 years. Her lovable character and kindly ways make her death severely felt by her relatives and many friends. She leaves besides her husband, one son, Edwin L., her father, Mr. Marshal Lee of this city, and two brothers, Mr. Wm. M. and Mr. Ernest H. Lee of Clinton, Mass.

BURNS—Patrick J. Burns died last evening at his residence, 145 Andover street, aged 46 years. He leaves one brother, William, of Brooklyn N. Y., and one sister, Mrs. Nellie Goff, of Springfield, Mass. Springfield, Lawrence, Mass., and Lewiston, Me., papers please copy.

The remains were removed to Undertaker Finnegan's funeral parlors, 131 East Merrimack street.

VALLERAND—Joseph Vallerand, of 252 Fletcher street, who fell down the steps of his boarding-house last Saturday noon, died early yesterday morning at St. John's hospital, where he had been removed in the ambulance. Mr. Vallerand, who was 33 years old, had suffered from epileptic fits, and it is believed that his death was due to these rather than to the effects of the fall. It is believed that he was in a fit when he fell. He remained unconscious for a long time after being taken to the hospital, though his injuries from the fall were slight, as far as could be seen. He was bruised near one eye, and his mouth was also torn.

The body was removed by Undertaker Joseph Albert to his establishment in Cheever street pending an examination by Medical Examiner Meigs.

CAREY—Mr. William Carey, an old resident of Lowell, died last night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Whalen, No. 89 Ward street, Worcester, Mass. He is survived by three sons, Thomas F. and William, Jr., of this city, and James of Roxbury, Mass.; three daughters, Miss Mary Carey and Mrs. Thos. Leary of Lowell and Mrs. William Whalen of Worcester, Mass.; three sisters, Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Patrick Finnerty and Mrs. John Morgan, all of Lowell. The remains were brought to Lowell and taken to his late home, No. 7 Cady street, by Funeral Director James W. McKenna.

DUFFY—Gertrude Duffy, aged two months, daughter of James and Bridget, died this morning at the home of her parents, 7 Farnham street.

DEVINE—Mrs. Ann Devine, one of the oldest residents of Lowell and a most respected member of St. Peter's parish, died this morning at her home, 61 Chapel street. She is survived by her husband, Philip, one son, John J. Devine, the well known lawyer associated with Nathan D. Prall, and two daughters, Misses Kathrine and Annie Devine.

FUNERALS

KANE—The funeral of Joseph Kane, infant son of Patrick and Sarah Kane, took place yesterday afternoon from the home of his parents, 17 Willie avenue. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, under direction of Thomas A. Saunders.

CRAVEN—The funeral of the late Owen Craven took place yesterday morning from the home of his sister, Mrs. John Conneran, 1325 Mammoth road, and was largely attended. At 9 o'clock a funeral mass was sung in St. Mary's church at Collinsville by the Rev. Thomas A. Walsh. The church was filled with friends of the deceased, who had been a familiar figure in the neighborhood for the past 25 years and for whose soul a funeral mass was for the first time sung in this church. The choir under the direction of Miss Susan Finlan rendered the Gregorian chant, Miss Margaret Kennedy singing the "O Meritum Passionis" at the offertory. At the conclusion "In Paradisium" was rendered by the choir. The bearers were John Conneran, Patrick Silk, Henry Burke and John Carrick. The burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, Amesbury, Mass. The funeral was under the direction of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

FUNERAL NOTICES

SMITH—Entered into rest, in this city at the Lowell General hospital, Dec. 21, Carrie L., beloved wife of William L. Smith, aged 43 years, 5 months and 16 days. Funeral services will be held from her late home, 325 Wentworth avenue Thursday afternoon at 12.30 o'clock. Friends respectfully invited. Wm. H. Saunders, undertaker in charge.

BURNS—The funeral of the late Peter Burns will take place Friday morning from his late home, 23 Slate street, at 8.15 o'clock and there will be a solemn high mass of requiem at the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock. Funeral Director James W. McKenna in charge.

MRS. FERNANDEZ

WOMAN THEATRICAL BROKER IS DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Emilie L. Fernandez, who brought many theatrical stars of the present day into prominence, and who was one of the best known American theatrical brokers in the country, died of Bright's disease yesterday at her home in the Windsor apartments.

She was the wife of Edward Price, but the stage world knew her best as Mrs. Fernandez. She was a woman of the sharpest business instinct, with an unerring faculty for discovering talent and bringing it to the attention of managers. In that way she built up one of the most famous theatrical agencies under the name of Fernandez & Payne. From obscure road companies Mrs. Fernandez very often brought actors and actresses who later attained prominence along Broadway. She was vice-president of the Professional Women's League. Her daughter, Bijou, was married to William Lepper Abingdon, the actor, a son of Squire and Lady Abingdon.

BRONZE TABLETS

TO BE PRESENTED TO U. S. VESSELS

NAPLES, Dec. 22.—The Italian naval league will present to American Consul Crowinshield on Dec. 28, the anniversary of the great earthquake in southern Italy several beautifully designed bronze tablets commemorative of the disaster and the assistance rendered the sufferers by America. The tablets are intended for the United States vessels, the crews of which aided in the work of rescue and the restoration of homes in Messina and Reggio.

The tablets were provided by a fund collected throughout Italy and in the Italian colonies in foreign cities—particularly New York. Similar tablets will be presented to other foreign ships that took part in the work of succor.

VERY IMPRESSIVE

Was Scene at King's Funeral

BRUSSELS, Dec. 22.—A torrential rain, accompanied by a driving wind, ushered in the funeral day of King Leopold but as the imposing military cortege left the royal palace and slowly moved to the cathedral the downpour ceased, the gale died away and there remained such a dull gray morning as signalled the sovereign's death. The funeral was made the occasion for a general suspension of business and undismayed by the tempestuous weather vast crowds were early at every point of vantage along the route that the cortege would take while near the palace and cathedral the throngs were so great that they all but overcome the strong restraining force of soldiers and police. The scene was impressive as the cortege passed through the streets. More impressive as a spectacle, however, was the scene at the cathedral of St. Michael and St. Gudule that magnificent Gothic pile which from the city's eminence dominates the many architectural beauties of ancient Brussels. Here in its interior all that the hand of man could fashion to emphasize the regal rites had been done.

ATTENDED SPECIAL SERVICE

PONTOISE, France, Dec. 22.—Lucien and Phillippe, sons of the late King Leopold and the Baroness Vaughan, accompanied by their governess, drove from Barencourt to the little village of Aronville today and attended a special mass celebrated by Abbe Mornant for the repose of the monarch's soul. The boys wore white sailor suits upon the sleeves of which were bands of crepe.

The mayor and other personages prominent in the village life were present. Baroness Vaughan did not appear.

BRIEF SESSION

Of Police Court Held This Morning

Peter J. Langan pleaded guilty to being drunk. He has been on a spree for some time and has been a constant bother to his sister. He was sentenced to the state farm.

Cornelius O'Hearn was sentenced to one month in jail.

Ernest Poulin, John A. Myron and John McDavitt were fined $6 each and one first offender was fined the usual $2.

Cruelty to a Horse

In the case of William Karp and Peter Michelman, charged with cruelty to a horse, Karp was found guilty and a fine of $6 imposed. The case against Michelman was dismissed.

Case Continued

The case of Adelard Brissette, charged with the larceny of $157.35 and three rings valued at $15 from Mrs. Malvina Hebert on Oct. 23, 1908, came up this morning on continuance, but Brissette asked for a continuance in order that he might consult counsel, and the court granted an extension of time until Friday.

Etta Roberts pleaded to drunkenness and was given a suspended sentence of six months in jail and placed in the hands of the probation officer for two months.

MAY BE PHILADELPHIA MAN

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—The young man who threw himself in front of a subway train in Boston last night was undoubtedly Lee Sharpless, 24 years old, who had no permanent home, but who originally came from California, according to H. L. Stirling, of this city, whose clothing Sharpless wore when he committed suicide. Sharpless was a traveling man. Ten days ago he borowed some clothing from Stirling and said he was going to Baltimore. Yesterday Stirling received a letter from Sharpless dated Boston, in which the writer said he had had a run of hard luck lately and that he was disgusted with life. His parents are supposed to live in California.

MATRIMONIAL

Mr. Archie D. Bumps, of Milo, Me., was united in marriage last night to Miss Mabel A., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Dix, at the home of the bride's parents, 4 West Eleventh street. The double ring service was performed by Rev. Forrester A. Macdonald. Little Miss Rosamond Steinbour acting as ring bearer.

The bride was becomingly attired in a beautiful gown of white lansdowne, embroidered with silver, and carried a shower bouquet of bride roses. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Vena M. Rexford, who wore pink silk muslin and carried pink carnations. The best man was Mr. Fred I. Starkey, also a cousin of the bride.

The bridal party entered the parlor to the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march, played by Miss Inez R. Beal, the bride's cousin. She was dressed in lavender silk. The ceremony was performed beneath an arch of wistaria. After the ceremony a reception was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Bumps received many beautiful presents including cut glass and silver. The happy couple left on the 9.35 train for a wedding tour to be spent in northern New York. On their return they will be at at home to their friends after Jan. 1, at 4 West Eleventh street.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 22.—At the meeting of governor and council today the resignation of Arthur W. Dean as state highway engineer was accepted and his first assistant, Harry C. Hill of Concord, was promoted to fill the vacancy. Mr. Dean goes to Massachusetts to take a similar position there.

15,000 SAILORS ARRIVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Christmas season in New York took a delightful marine atmosphere today when fifteen thousand officers and men of the Atlantic fleet steamed into port happy in the thought of Christmas day ashore.

The advance guard of seven battleships, the Minnesota, New Hampshire, Wisconsin, Missouri, Connecticut, Vermont and Kansas, slipped through the Narrows today and anchored in the Hudson. They will be followed by eight other battleships and two cruisers. The sailors will be allowed all the time possible ashore until the fleet sails on Jan. 5 and the paymasters are preparing to distribute something like $500,000 in pay to the sailors.

Rear Admiral Schroeder is in command of the squadron.

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NEW BATTLESHIPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Uncle Sam has obtained decided bargains in his contracts for battleships during the past five or six years, according to a statement of Chief Constructor Capps of the navy, to congress.

"We have had to inspect very rigidly," he said, "we have had to work exceedingly hard to prevent contractors from being entirely human and reducing the cost of their work at the expense of completeness and efficiency when they have bid so low. It is a serious question whether you want to take advantage of the rather critical situation of the shipbuilding industry in this country and force it into even a more difficult position. Whether it is to the government's interest to compel private firms to build ships at less than their bid when the bid is less than cost, is a matter for others to decide."

HELP WANTED

NIGHT FIREMAN wanted. Apply to Harry L. Shedd, 395 Woburn st., So. Lowell. Telephone 194-3.

GENERAL FARM HAND wanted. Good milker and teamster. Apply to foreman Nashoba Farm, Westford, Mass.

LIVE MAN wanted to manage new permanent business in your city. Some capital required. The J. J. Carney Mfg. Co., Fitchburg, Mass.

MARRIED COUPLE WANTED—The woman to act as matron in a private lodging house. No washing. For particulars write Matron, 51, Sun Office.

GIRL WANTED to work in a coffee house, good pay, must be over 21 years old. Call in the morning at 457 Market street.

ALL ROUND COOK wanted at the Manhattan House, Central st.

CARPENTERS WANTED for work on new parochial residence in Collinsville. Inquire on church grounds tomorrow morning after 9 o'clock.

SALESMAN WANTED in each county for highest grade garden and farm seeds. Permanent situations, good pay. Earnestness, not experience, essential. Cobb & Co., Franklin, Mass.

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LOST AND FOUND

BIG HOUSE COLORED DOG found. Owner can have by calling and paying expenses, at 5 Swan st., off Boston road.

BRACELET LOST with initials B. D. on it, between Moody st. and cor. Middle and Central sts., Saturday afternoon. Please return to 103 Hall st.

POCKETBOOK FOUND containing a sum of money. Owner can have same by calling at 54 Gershom ave.

GOLD STRING OF NECK BEADS found Thursday night. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this advertisement at 229 Fayette st.

BROWN HORSE BLANKET, for street wear, lost Dec. 20, between Lincoln school and Inland st. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning the same to 73 Inland st.

LONG EARED YOUNG HOUND lost, white and mottled, black body, brown head, plain strapped collar. Reward at W. H. Bagshaw's, 143 Saunders ave.

SMALL HEART SHAPED GOLD LOCKET lost, with initials "M. D." on back, also chain, between Carter st. and Merrimack st., Sunday. Reward at 617 Broadway.

POCKETBOOK LOST with a small amount of money, between School and Phillips sts., Saturday evening about 4.30 o'clock. Reward at 19 Bachelder place, off Walker st.

SUM OF MONEY found. The owner can have by proving property. Apply at The Fashion, 115 Merrimack st.

GRADUATION RING 1909 lost Thursday afternoon. Reward for return to 933 Central st.

$50 REWARD

Strayed from Newtonville, November 16, 1909, English bull terrier, male, nine years old, weighs 35 to 40 lbs., medium size, light brindle, ears cut and pointed, has white on breast. Had a brass-studded collar with a name and license No. 50. No questions asked. James R. Wood, Detective Agency, 257 Washington st., Boston, Mass.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WOMAN COOK, all round, competent, wants place; hotel, boarding house or institution. 15 West Fourth street.

WOMAN WISHES WORK by the hour, doing washing or housework. Inquire Carter st., next door to Carter school house.

POSITION WANTED as cook, kitchen or chamber work. Please call at 109 Cheever st.

GENERAL HOUSEWORK wanted, or caring for children, by middle aged woman. Inquire 4 in rear of 175 Fayette st.

SPECIAL NOTICES

SKATES HOLLOW GROUND, sharpened, clippers sharpened. Badges made to order. Harry Gonzales, 128 Gorham st. Tel. 952-2.

MADAME BREETON, world's greatest palmist and card reader, 50c sittings this week 25c. 392 Bridge street in rear, opposite Third st. Office hours 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

THE HIGHEST GRADE PIANOS are sold by W. F. Trumbell, 101 Westford st. A special bargain for Christmas; come today, that first to come, will be first to get it.

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NELSON'S COLONIAL DEPT. STORE—Fur department. Old fashioned fur sets, fur capes and fur muffs remodeled and made into a stylish, up-to-date set of furs at a small expense to you. Nothing in the fur line that we cannot do. Fur Dept., main floor. Central st. entrance. Mail orders given prompt attention.

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FURNITURE MOVING—Hugh McGrogan, furniture and piano mover, also dealer in wood and coal. Office 369 Broadway. Telephone 747; residence 53 Chestnut st.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

MISCELLANEOUS

FISHERMEN TAKE NOTICE—Shiners and tom cods for sale. Harry Gonzales, 128 Gorham st. Tel 952-2.

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LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Samuel Keyser, late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, and State of New York, deceased.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court, by D. Crawford Clark and William V. S. Thorne, with certain papers purporting to be copies of the last will and testament of said deceased, and of the probate thereof in said State of New York, duly authenticated, representing that at the time of his death, said deceased had estate in said County of Middlesex, on which said will may operate, and praying that the copy of said will may be filed and recorded in the Registry of Probate of said County of Middlesex, and letters testamentary thereon granted to them without requiring sureties on their bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twelfth day of January, A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the first publication to be thirty days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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UP-TO-DATE 5-ROOM FLAT to let, set tubs, range, curtains etc., near depot, rent reasonable. Apply J. A. Brien, 112 Chelmsford st.

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PARLOR STOVE for sale, in good condition, used but little. Inquire 102 Bourne st.

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CORNER STORE on main street for sale. Stock consisting of fruit, light groceries, tobacco, cigars, good soda and ice cream trade. Inquire of S. B. Puffer, 912 Middlesex st.

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To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.46	6.50	6.14	7.19
x6.27	7.41	7.53	8.55
b6.42	7.53	8.15	9.01
6.49	7.30	9.00	9.39
7.01	8.00	10.00	10.50
7.22	8.05	b10.21	11.24
x7.31	8.50	11.30	12.07
7.44	8.35	12.00	12.56
8.48	9.25	1.00	1.37
5.58	8.35	2.00	3.04
09.07	10.10	3.00	3.37
9.36	10.24	b3.51	5.02
10.46	11.40	4.00	4.37
11.38	12.20	x4.14	5.30
12.12	1.00	5.00	5.37
1.46	2.30	b5.21	6.23
2.41	3.33	5.38	6.28
3.57	4.40	b5.51	7.03
4.28	5.30	x6.14	7.30
5.20	6.15	7.00	8.08
b6.10	7.19	8.30	9.08
6.28	7.10	10.00	11.34
7.38	8.20	11.17	11.55
9.50	10.30	11.20	12.16

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.46	7.55	z7.00	8.10
8.04	8.55	7.30	8.52
9.50	10.50	9.24	10.39
10.50	11.55	10.55	11.52
12.05	1.10	11.50	12.52
x1.30	2.38	2.14	3.20
3.10	4.14	3.30	4.30
4.20	5.34	4.59	5.50
5.06	6.00	6.03	7.03
7.00	8.00	6.35	7.45
9.50	10.35	9.35	10.33
		x11.25	12.21

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.20	9.20	8.00	9.03
12.10	1.15	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.00	2.14	3.22
5.45	7.00	3.30	4.41
8.50	10.02	5.20	6.33
		8.40	9.42

SUNDAY TRAINS

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.49	7.30	9.05	10.00
7.22	8.05	10.00	10.38
7.55	8.35	11.30	12.07
8.43	9.49	1.00	1.37
9.20	10.15	5.00	6.02
10.30	11.03	7.30	8.08
2.25	5.19	8.30	9.08
5.10	6.00	9.00	10.02
6.28	7.30	10.14	10.52
7.38	8.20	10.29	11.55

References:

x Runs to Lowell Saturdays only.
a Via Lawrence Junction.
b Via Bedford.
s Via Salem Jct.
z Via Wilmington Junction.

LOCAL NEWS

Try Tobin's Printery next time.

Prescott hall to let Sat. evenings.

Suit cases, bags, pocketbooks, etc. Devine's, 124 Merrimack st.

Order your coal now at Mullin's, 953 Gorham street. Best coal in the city.

Ask for Lowell made cigars at Hall & Lyon's and all other drug stores.

Teeth extracted and filled without pain by the Obtundine system of painless dentistry. Dr. Cagnon, 406 Merr'k st.

TWO ARMED MEN

Stole Pay Envelopes Belonging to Girls

NEWARK, Dec. 22.—Two armed men held up Samuel B. Newman in the office of the Hooten Cocoa and Chocolate company here last night and stole 100 pay envelopes, containing in all about $600. Newman is superintendent of the factory, and was alone in the office when the men entered and covered him with revolvers, demanding "hands up and silence."

Fifty girls working on the second floor of the factory, for whom the pay envelopes had been made up, rushed panic-stricken from the building when they learned of the robbery.

The robbers were pursued for some distance, but made their escape.

CIVIL SESSION

Case Against Deputy Sheriff Clark Heard

The case of William C. Tucker of Chelmsford Deputy Sheriff Edward W. Clark was heard before Judge Hadley in the civil session of the police court this afternoon. Haven G. Hill appeared for the plaintiff, while the defendant was represented by Bennett Silverblatt.

The plaintiff alleges that the defendant converted to his own use six tons of hay.

In answer, the defendant says that he is a deputy sheriff of the county of Middlesex and that he seized the property by virtue of an execution issued by the police court of Lowell against one Harry Kallman as the property of Harry Kallman.

The ad dammum is $300.

An Ideal Gift for the Boy

A

BROWNIE CAMERA

A useful and instructive present, easy to operate. Takes fine pictures. He will be tickled.

Prices Range from

$1 to $10

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APOTHECARIES

SPEAKER CANNON

Will Have to Fight for His Place

WASHINGTON, December 22.—They say that Speaker Cannon will not retire. The house of representatives, as a whole, seems to have a growing conviction that way. He is not a man to quit under fire. But in the face of these facts, the campaign for the choice of his successor is taking shape. The speaker's best and staunchest friends, while protesting that he will succeed himself, are discussing in low tone of voice and with confidential precautions, who should wield the gavel if the next congress is republican.

Two or three lightning rods already rear their points into the political firmament. The word is going round that Pres. Taft wants Rep. Walter I. Smith of Iowa, and has told him so. The speaker's friends refuse to believe that the president said any such thing. Smith is one of the speaker's lieutenants, whom President Roosevelt smote mightily in a special message about a year ago.

The regulars of New York, New England and other eastern states have told one another they would feel like uniting on Representative Marlin E. Olmsted of the Harrisburg, Pa., district. He is another of the speaker's very close lieutenants, probably the ablest parliamentarian in the house—saving only the speaker—is level-headed, long headed and well informed.

It is not likely that Mr. Cannon will be at all gracious over this attitude inside the camp of his own followers. The covetous eyes that are upon his mantle, even though disclaimers abound, cannot but be disquieting to him. This development, too, comes just when the house insurgents seem to be subsiding. And in addition, there are the rumors that another former lieutenant, ex-Senator and ex-Representative James A. Hemenway is going back to Indiana and may seek a re-election to the house with a view of getting into the speakership race.

WAVE OF CRIME

Has Swept Over City of Providence

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 22.—A wave of crime has swept over this city during the last ten days. At night the residents of the suburbs have been terrorized by highwaymen. Lodging houses and stores have been attacked by thieves and the streets have been infested by pickpockets. Four young girls were knocked down, and over $34,000 has been stolen during the past 21 days alone.

HALLEY'S COMET

WAS SEEN BY STUDENTS AT SOMERSWORTH, N. H.

SOMERSWORTH, N. H., Dec. 22.—Halley's comet was seen last evening, probably for the first time outside an observatory, by Onslow Blaisdell and Winfred S. Ross of Somersworth, through the latter's nine-inch telescope. The difficulty of the search was increased because the instrument stood in the open moonlight and on a home-made alt-azimuth stand, the equatorial mounting and circles, with which it was equipped in a tent last summer, being removed.

Under the circumstances the comet was barely discernible as a mere discoloration in the sky. In previous attempts the observers had been baffled by frost settling on the objective. Mr. Ross has been a student of astronomy for many years, and is said to own the only portable telescope of its size in the world.

ICE CREAM FOR XMAS

Bulk $1.00 per gallon, vanilla, strawberry, chocolate and coffee. Brick cream $1.25 per gallon, coffee with filberts $1.25 per gallon, frozen pudding $2.00 per gallon, packed and delivered on time. Henry Bros., 32 Andover street. Tel. 1812.

ELOPING WIFE

Is Under Spell Her Husband Says

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 22.—"I want my wife to come back to me and the children for Christmas," said Alan Pratt of 210 Putnam street, a skilled accountant with the U. M. C. Co. yesterday to a reporter, in explaining the reason why he inserted little want advertisements in a New York paper, pleading with her to return.

"My wife was hypnotized," he continued, "by a nephew of mine, and while under the spell he threw around her, she left my home. That was two years ago. I know that she has broken away from his spells and I think she is now in New York. I want her to come home for Christmas and all will be forgiven. The children want her. They cry for her, and it would be such a bright Christmas again if she would only return."

Pratt says that he thinks his nephew has shaken the woman and is now in Italy. He believes his wife is in New York, and thought an advertisement in the papers was the best way to find her.

New Central Market

383 CENTRAL ST.

Just Above the Opera House

THE BEST PLACE IN LOWELL TO BUY YOUR

Xmas Dinner

FRESH KILLED VERMONT

Turkeys

20c to 30c lb.

The best of everything found in a first class market. Orders promptly delivered to all parts of the city.

Make the Boy Happy

BUY HIM A

Watch

You couldn't give him a more serviceable present. Has a handsome nickeled case, is the most attractive, most carefully regulated low-priced watch on the market, and is sold under a one-year guarantee.

Better get him one, perhaps he'll let you use it when yours is out of commission.

89c

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HALL & LYON CO

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Prayer Books

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Rosaries

We have the largest line of Prayer Books and Religious Articles in the city.

See our 49c and 89c padded Prayer Books for gent or lady.

Children's Books, 15c, 19c and 25c.

Gold Chained Rosaries, 98c and upwards. All the popular colors.

Pearl Rosaries and Cases, Sanctuary Lamps, Tapers, Pictures, Crucifixes and Scapulars.

Father Finn's Story Books and other reading books. Manual of Prayers and Following of Christ.

Fine line of Stationery, 25c and 45c.

Framed Pictures, 98c.

MURPHY'S

18 APPLETON ST.

OPP. POSTOFFICE

OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

FIFTEEN DOLLAR OVERCOATS

—AT—

TEN DOLLARS

Thirty coats added to the lot this week, Black Kersey, Oxford Gray Frieze, Dark Stripe Velours, and Fancy Overcoatings with the regular collar or the Military cut. Men's and Young Men's models, all excellent values at $15---but to clean out the odd garments and small lots we mark them for the balance of this week . . .

$10

ABOUT EIGHTY COATS IN THE LOT AND ALL SIZES, 34 44

THE Talbot CLOTHING COMPANY

The Store That's Light as Day"

American House Block, Central St., Cor. of Warren

Millard F. Wood

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THE MERRIMACK ST. JEWELER

Ours is the Busy Bee Hive Store.

Right goods at right prices is what attracts.

Do your Christmas shopping in the busy Merrimack street Jewelry store.

We have Fine Diamonds at $22.50, $25, $30, $35, $40, $50 and up. Diamonds mounted while you wait.

Watches, Cut Glass, Finest Sterling Silver, Umbrellas and a choice miscellaneous array of smaller articles in jewelry appropriate for gifts at this season.

Seventeen People to Attend to Your Wants

Millard F. Wood 104 MERRIMACK ST., OPPOSITE JOHN

FORTUNATE INDEED

IF YOU SELECT A

Hallet & Davis

PIANO

COMPARISON Compare the strikingly modern Hallet & Davis features with those you will find in other pianos and you will see why the new Hallet & Davis Upright Piano is selling at an unprecedented rate. You will find that the Hallet & Davis Piano successfully challenges comparison, step by step and detail by detail, with other instruments. You cannot but realize that it should be your FIRST CHOICE.

Sold at Lowest Manufacturer's Price By and Only

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126 MERRIMACK STREET, SECOND FLOOR

Open Wednesday and Thursday Evenings This Week.

SPECIAL SALE

Last Three Days Before Christmas

1000 Pocket Knives

Worth 25c to 50c 19c

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47-49 MARKET STREET.

Get the Boy

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SLEIGH

Get the New Paxaway Sleigh. The handiest sleigh made. The runners fold up, which makes it very convenient to carry. Only

$2.25

Dolls For the Girl 39c

for a 75c Doll, all dressed.

DOLL IRON BEDS

finished in gold, bronze, with fancy crotonne covered mattress, pair pillows and canopy top, worth $1.50. Only

59 Cents

CHILD'S ROCKERS and HIGH CHAIRS
DOLL CARRIAGES
FANCY CHAIRS and ROCKERS

by the hundreds for grown-ups. $2.75 to $30.00

—AT—

A. E. O'Heir & Co.

MERRIMACK SQUARE

NASHUA PEOPLE

To be Their Own Public Officers

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 22.—Convinced that burglaries that have been taking place with great regularity at the South end have been done by people who were simply hungry and in destitute circumstances, residents have decided not to ask special police protection, but simply to catch the thief themselves and then decide what course to pursue.

Former Mayor Charles H. Burke's residence and the residence of Charles I. Richards, agent for the New Hampshire Woman's Humane Society, are among those broken into.

Lowell Opera House

Proprietor—JULIUS CAHN—Mgr.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday, December 25

MATINEE AND NIGHT

AND WEEK OF DECEMBER 27

PHIL OTT'S

COMEDIANS

Saturday Afternoon and Evening

In the Musical Farce

THE MAN AND THE MUMMY

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, "THE BOSTON BELLE"

No Matinee Monday

Thursday and Friday "THE MAN and THE MUMMY."

Matinee and Night.

New Year's Matinee and Night, "THE MILLIONAIRE KID"

Prices: Nights and Christmas matinee, 50c, 30c, 20c, 10c. Other matinees 10c and 20c. Seats on Sale.

Daniel F. Connor's Dancing School

Runels' hall, Runels' building, Merrimack square. Public classes Wednesdays and Thursdays. Private lessons Mondays and Saturdays, or by appointment. O'Connor, telephone No. 1272-2.

STAR THEATRE

MADAME CLOUTIER

The World's Strongest Woman

TOMORROW—Musical Buskirk Co., featuring the Golden Anvil Chorus with electric sparks flying everywhere.

Gas Lamps

We have a full line which we want to close out before Christmas. Come today.

Welch Bros.

61-63 Middle Street.

Academy of Music

Moving Pictures Illustrated Songs

VAUDEVILLE

AMATEURS TONIGHT

ADMISSION 5 AND 10 CENTS

HATHAWAY THEATRE

Every Afternoon Week Dec. 20 Every Evening

FOUR HUNTINGS
In "Fun in a Fool House."
JETERS AND ROGERS
GALETT'S BABOONS
LAWRENCE AND EDWARDS
MIGNONETTE KOKIN
HATHASCOPE
LE ROY
CONNELLY AND WEBB
"A stormy Finish."

Ladies' Bargain Matinee Every Day

Pianos from M. Steinert & Sons

THEATRE LA SCALA

A Big Best Show And a Popular Price

FIVE CENTS—WORTH DOUBLE

Largest In Lowell

We have in stock the largest assortment of Lemaire Opera Glasses in the city. Prices $1.50 to $25.00.

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Holly Bunches, Wreaths, Trimmings, Fancy Boxes, Christmas Confectionery.

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At Public Auction Tomorrow Afternoon at 3 O'Clock at 605 Chelmsford Street, a 9-Room House, Stable, One-Story Building, Occupied as a Store, and About 8708 Square Feet of Land.

On the premises, regardless of any condition of the weather, I shall offer for sale to whomsoever will bid the most for it, my home and place of business at 605 Chelmsford street. The house consists of nine rooms, bath and pantry and summer kitchen. There is a parlor, sitting-room, den, dining-room, kitchen, large pantry and summer kitchen on the first floor, and four large, airy and well-lighted chambers and bath on the next floor. There is furnace heat, gas throughout, cemented cellar, back stairs, and in fact, you could not find a more conveniently laid out house of nine rooms. There are two bay windows in the front of the house, and a large side piazza, and the house is in excellent shape inside and out. The barn has three box stalls, with plenty of carriage room, and a nice loft for storage of hay and grain. The one-story building, which is occupied as a store, is 20x24, with an ell 10x12; this I built within two years and have occupied it as a store and have made a good living in the same. The driveway and walk are concreted; there are lightning rods on the house and barn. The lot has a frontage of 80 feet on Chelmsford street, and contains about 8708 square feet, and is all fenced in. Now, here is a nice home with a good stable and a fine stand for business, with plenty of yard room. The location is a first-class one, the electrics pass the door; it is but a short distance from the Lincoln school, and a good place for business, the neighborhood being so well settled. I regret very much disposing of it at this time, but my health being very poor, my doctor says I must go South. Now, for someone who wants a nice easy home of nine rooms, with everything up-to-date, a good stable, and a fine place to do business, here is the opportunity. The property can be inspected any afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock, from now until time of sale.

Terms: $350 to be paid to the auctioneer as soon as struck off; a good, liberal mortgage can remain.

By order of M. J. ROUGHAN.

CHAS. H. HANSON & CO., Inc. Auctioneers

SPECIAL FOR THURSDAY'S SALE

Dec. 23rd at 1 o'clock

One Pair of handsome Calico Geldings, weigh 2100 pounds, fearless and clever. A slick advertising team.

One Bay Gelding, 1050 pounds. A very clever family horse.

Horses can be seen at our stables any time after Monday noon.

THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and Thursday; light westerly winds.

THE LOWELL SUN

7 O'CLOCK

ESTABLISHED 1878 | LOWELL MASS. WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 22 1909 | PRICE ONE CENT

The Recount--Meehan Wins by 485

Brennen Defeats Greene by Two Votes

EXTRA

RECOUNT ENDED

Meehan Lost Only 13 Votes---Brennen Elected Alderman

The recount is over and Owen Brennen won over Harvey B. Greene for ninth place on the aldermanic ticket. Mr. Brennen had 21 votes to overcome and he beat that and two better. His total at the end of the recount was 6266 and Mr. Greene's total was 6264.

Only a difference of 13 votes was made in the mayoralty recount and Meehan's plurality is 485 instead of 498. The biggest loss suffered by the mayor was in ward nine, where he lost six votes. For purchasing agent, Peter F. Mackenzie made a net gain of five votes.

The recount was concluded at 3.45 and the official announcement of results was made by Charlie Hartwell at 4 o'clock. Charlie was the man who arrived at the totals and as his word was final they called him "the man from Copenhagen." The recount was a long and tedious job not only for the assessors and clerks but also for the principals or the men representing them. The assessors were a unit in declaring that they didn't want to see any more ballots for many moons to come.

A GREAT VICTORY

Scored by Gen'l Estrada's Army at Rama, Nicaragua

BLUEFIELDS, Dec. 22.—Gen. Estrada has won a complete victory over the government troops at Rama. A total of six hundred men of both armies were killed or wounded. Nineteen hundred of Zelaya's men have surrendered, including Gen. Gonzales, who was in command. Two Americans are reported killed.

MIDDLESEX TRUST COMPANY
OPEN BANK
"The Night Before Christmas"
FRIDAY EVENNG, 8.30 to 10
Accommodation of Street

Traders Nat. Bank
BANK OPEN CHRISTMAS EVE 8.30 to 10
Savings Interest Starts Jan. 3
Hours 8.30 to 3. Saturdays 8.30 to 12.30 and 7 to 9.

Furs---Furs---Furs
Manufacturers' Sale of Ladies' Fine Furs at Grant & Co., Merrimack st., Opposite Kirk
Buy your furs direct from the manufacturer and save retailer's profit. No old stock, no old styles; every piece up to date and made from selected skins.
GRANT & CO.
Merrimack Street Opposite Kirk

GENERAL TREASURY GAINS

More personal and real estate in Lowell has been discovered by the local assessors and the tax commissioners and the result will add to the general treasury fund.

The personal property discovered by the local assessors is equal in valuation to $36,180 and the tax on that will amount to $709.13.

The real estate discovered by the local assessors is equal in valuation to $3550 and the tax on that will amount to $75.46.

Returns from the tax commissioner shows an increase of $221,505 in personal property; giving a tax of $4,341.50, and that added to the other valuation and tax gives a total valuation, real and personal, of $261,535, and a total tax of $5,126.08.

SEC'Y. BALLINGER TO SPEAK

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 22.—Secretary of the Interior Ballinger today accepted an invitation to speak before a joint meeting of the Economic and the Conservative clubs here Jan. 27. His topic has not been selected.

PRIME MINISTER SHOT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—An official despatch was received by the state department this morning from Bucarest to the effect that the prime minister of Roumania had been shot and seriously wounded by a Roumanian anarchist.

RULERS KILLED

Three Assassinations In Different Countries

A remarkable series of political assassination of personages high in office is reported today from widely separated points throughout the world.

In Seoul, Korea, the prime minister of the Korean cabinet was stabbed to death with a dagger as an apparent result of the intense feeling in Korea against Japanese influence.

In St. Petersburg the chief of the secret police, Col. Karpoff, was blown to pieces by the explosion of a bomb supposedly thrown by an anarchist.

At Bombay, British India, the chief magistrate of Naisik, Arthur M. T. Jackson, was assassinated by a native, for revenge and presumably as a part of the seditious movement against British official authority.

In each of the countries the governing authority is menaced by a dangerous element directed against the existing régime.

PREMIER YI STABBED

SEOUL, Korea, Dec. 22.—Premier Yi, the head of the Korean cabinet, was stabbed and fatally wounded today by a Korean, Yie Chaim Yong. The attack occurred at 10 o'clock in the morning. The assailant was a young Christian, who for many years was a resident of the United States. The premier was riding in his jinrickshaw when the assassin came up with a long kitchen knife in his hand. He drove this twice into the abdomen of the premier and once into his lung. The assassin then turned on the premier's jinrickshaw man, whom he stabbed and instantly killed. The assassin immediately was arrested. He is a youth of about 20 years and is believed to be a member of a political society. The premier was removed to the hospital.

Yi was always credited with fostering anti-Japanese sentiment in Korea. He bitterly opposed the faction among the Koreans which favored annexation to Japan, and refused to present a petition for annexation to the Korean emperor.

Notwithstanding Yi's known sentiments in regard to the relations between Japan and Korea, Marquis Ito regarded Yi as an honest and conscientious patriot and refused to listen to the premier's repeated request that he be allowed to resign his office.

It is believed that the assassination is the result of political intrigue.

Premier Yi was formerly minister of education in the Korean cabinet. He became prime minister in May, 1907, when a reconstruction of the cabinet followed a five hour audience that Marquis Ito, the Japanese resident, had with the emperor. Yi was regarded as a firm and competent officer and an opponent of the plans for Japanese annexation. His efforts to carry out his policies met with continued opposition and intrigue. His enemies, it is said, had frequently planned his removal by assassination.

CHIEF MAGISTRATE ATTACKED

BOMBAY, British India, Dec. 22.—Arthur Mason Tippetts Jackson, chief magistrate of Naisik, in the presidency of Bombay, was assassinated by a native while attending a theatrical performance last night.

The motive for the murder is supposed to have been a wish for revenge upon the magistrate, who had recently sentenced a criminal to life imprisonment. Naisik is a hotbed of sedition. Jackson had been in the Indian service since 1888.

BLOWN TO PIECES

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—Col. Karpoff, chief of the secret police of St. Petersburg, was assassinated early today. He was enticed to a modest apartment in a remote street of the Viborg district and there was blown to pieces by a bomb, exploded supposedly by his host, one Michael Vosskreasensky, who had leased the rooms a few days before.

The murderer rushed into the street following the explosion and was captured. An assistant of Karpoff who accompanied him was severely injured.

Karpoff was appointed from Baku where he had been chief of the secret police. There have been several convictions of bomb-makers recently.

THE STATE POLICE

Looking Up Evidence in the Rivers Murder Case

Inspector Charles E. Byrnes, of the state police, was in Lowell today, looking up evidence in connection with the coming trial of Henri Ferron, who it is alleged, murdered Flora Rivers in a house in Hereford place, this city, several months ago.

One of the exhibits in connection with this murder trial will be the blood stained axe with which it is alleged the murder was committed. In order that the weapon may be turned over to the proper authorities in practically the same condition it was when found by the Lowell police, the axe reposes in a neat box, made to shape the axe, the work having been done by Patrolman Ambrose Creamer.

Inasmuch as the district attorney's office has four murder cases on its hands at the present time, the state inspectors are kept on the jump securing evidence in the different cases.

CAPTAIN FISH

To Become his Father's Private Secretary

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 22.—Hamilton Fish, Jr., captain of the Harvard football eleven, who returned to Cambridge on Monday after a two week's absence following the senior class election, left for New York today to become private secretary to his father. He has completed his course at college and will return here in June to receive his degree.

Captain Fish stated today that he had decided upon this action nearly two months ago and denied that the result of the class election at which which he was defeated for first marshal at the class day exercises had any bearing upon it.

LODGED IN JAIL

Negroes Charged With Breaches of Peace

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 22.—Col. J. E. Carter, with 38 men and Sheriff Grant heading a posse, left Magnolia this morning escorting 33 negroes to be lodged in the jail at Linden. The negroes are charged with breaches of the peace. They were arrested yesterday and were guarded last night by the soldiers as a result of the trouble that grew out of the burning of Clint Montgomery, one of the negro slayers of Alfy Lewis, Saturday last.

The night passed without incident and there now appears to be no more danger of a race riot. Will Montgomery, the last of the accused murderers of Lewis, is still at large.

GREAT PRESSURE

WATER IS FORCED DISTANCE OF 10 MILES

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 22.—The new Little river water supply system, which cost $2,000,000 to install, was turned on yesterday for the first time, and so great was the pressure of the water from the Provin mountain reservoir that it forced the old water in the mains back into the Ludlow reservoir, 10 miles away, and filled up the lower basin at the old works, which had been empty since early in the fall. The pressure in this city was increased from 95 pounds to 140 pounds within a few minutes after the gates letting in the new water were opened.

The new water comes from the Little river gorge, 11 miles west of Springfield. A huge concrete dam, 65 feet high has been built in the gorge, and from this the water is carried in a concrete lined tunnel nearly a mile in length through Cobble mountain to the filtration plant in Mundale. From there it is carried in a 40-inch main to a reservoir with a capacity of 16,000,000 gallons on the summit of Provin mountain, midway between Westfield and West Springfield, from which it is piped in a 40-inch main to Springfield, crossing under the Connecticut river in two 20-inch pipes.

The intake dam in the Little river gorge has a capacity of 60,000,000 gallons, and above that, on the Borden brook, is a reservoir with a capacity of 1,000,000,000 gallons. Work on the new system was begun in September, 1907, and its completion occupied a little over two years.

GEORGE FIELD RENOMINATED

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—George Field was renominated to succeed himself as a member of the fish and game commission by Gov. Draper today.

FORGERY CHARGE

Made Against a Boston Broker

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The police authorities of the large cities of the country and many towns in Texas were asked today to apprehend Darius L. Moffatt, a broker of this city, for whom a warrant has been issued charging him with the forgery of a note for $5000, now held by the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co.

Moffatt left Boston early in the fall and spent two months in eastern Texas. He returned here two weeks ago, but stayed only two days.

MRS. CHRISTY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—An order directing the state lunacy commission to furnish Mrs. Maybelle T. Christy with a certified copy of papers connected with the alleged commitment of her husband, Howard Chandler Christy, the artist, to an institution for the insane in this state in March, 1907, was obtained by Mrs. Christy's attorneys from Supreme Court Justice McLean today. This is a new phase of the legal proceedings growing out of the domestic difficulties of the Christys, who are not now living together, Christy making his home in Zanesville, O., while Mrs. Christy remains in this city. According to Charles Taussig, Mr. Christy's attorney, the papers are wanted for use in the hearing before the probate court of Muskingum county, Ohio, for a writ of habeas corpus under which Mrs. Christy hopes to obtain possession of the Christy's ten year old daughter, now with the artist at Zanesville.

Special Notice
WITHOUT
Prejudice, it is an acknowledged fact that the GRANT JEWELRY CO. is the Emporium of this city. Yesterday we were rushed to death and today we are ready and waiting to supply your Xmas needs.
Clean Goods of High Quality. Lowest prices, and nothing sold in our store that will turn green in the spring.
All our clerks are courteous and willing to help you to decide what to buy. Our motto is: Small profits, quick returns and everybody satisfied beyond doubt.
Miss Nellie Moran and Miss Kitty Donohue are clerks at our store and are in no way connected with anybody else clerking at any other store in this city by the same name.
GRANT JEWELRY CO.
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ANNUAL BANQUET WAS A SUCCESS

Of St. Patrick's Academy Aldmni

All arrangements are practically complete for the coming banquet and reunion on Wednesday evening, Dec. 29. Reports received from the different sub-committees show that plans as formulated have been attended to and every indication points to a grand social success. The banquet committee has secured an able list of after-dinner speakers and will also present an excellent musical program. The speakers' list will include Rev. William O'Brien, P. R., Rev. John J. O'Heara, class '90, now stationed in Peabody, Mass.; Mayor-elect John F. Meehan, class '90; Rev. Brother Osmund, superior of St. Patrick's Boys' academy, and Rev. Brother Vincent, now stationed in Baltimore, Md., and one of the early teachers in the academy. It is also hoped to have Rev. Brother Isidore, provincial of the Xaverian order, present as a guest of the alumni.

A special feature of the musical program will be the violin solos of Joseph O'Dwyer of Boston.

Replies are now being received daily from the out-of-town students and many of these will attend. Tickets are limited to the seating capacity, which is 300.

Joseph A. O'Brien, class 1900, will be chairman of the occasion and will introduce John J. Sullivan, class '94, as toastmaster. The banquet will start promptly at 7.30 p. m. and will be preceded by the reception and reunion.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

DEVINE—The funeral of Ann Devine will take place at 8 o'clock Friday morning, from her late home, 61 Chapel street. Mass of requiem at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. T. J. McDermott, undertaker.

JACK PERDUE DISCHARGED

McALLISTER, Okla., Dec. 22.—Jack Perdue, a former deputy United States marshal, arrested here two weeks ago charged with being James Dobson, who escaped from the state prison of Pennsylvania twenty years ago, was discharged last night. He convinced the authorities that he was not the escaped convict.

COUNTIES VOTED "DRY"

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 22.—As a result of the local option vote in Manitoba yesterday, eighteen counties were added to the seventy which previously voted "dry." There are fifty counties which still remain "wet."

T. P. O'Connor's Mission to America

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—"My mission here has been very successful," said T. P. O'Connor, M. P., as he was sailing today on the Mauretania after several weeks spent in this country to collect funds for the promotion of the Irish parliamentary party's interest. Mr. O'Connor said he had already forwarded some $40,000 to Ireland and that other funds, the collection of which he had arranged for, were to follow him. Speaking of the trend of British political events in the last few months, he said:

"I feel very certain that the liberals can win easily in a general election and such a result will help our cause."

Mrs. Philip Snowden, a woman suffragist, who has been here about five weeks, was another passenger on the Mauretania.

HARDY ALASKANS

TO TRY TO REACH MT. McKINLEY'S SUMMIT

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Dec. 22.—The expedition that was organized several months ago to attempt an ascent of Mount McKinley and disprove or verify Dr. Frederick A. Cook's story that he reached the summit, set out from Fairbanks today with a dog team and supplies to establish a base at the foot of the mountain to be ready to make a dash for the summit in March at the first break in the winter.

The party is composed of six hardy Alaska pioneers, all familiar with the mountain. They will forfeit $5000 if none of the party reaches the summit.

DIED SUDDENLY

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 22.—Orin C. Devereux, one of the oldest manufacturing jewelers in New England, died suddenly of heart failure at his Edgewood home today. He was 73 years old and was prominently identified with the leading manufacturing jewelers associations.

RICHARD PATTEE CHOSEN

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 22.—Richard Pattee of Plymouth, for the past six years, lecturer of the New Hampshire state grange was today chosen master of the organization on the first ballot defeating Herbert O. Hadley of Peterboro and J. Edgerly of Boscawen.

POLICY LAW

THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF IT TO BE TESTED

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 22.—The constitutionality of the new Rhode Island policy law, which allows as criminal evidence even the possession of a policy slip, will without doubt, lawyers say, be tested in the case of Joseph Gaines, a colored man, who was placed under arrest because he held a slip in his hand, and whose case was opened in the superior court today. His counsel asked for an immediate verdict of not guilty, but Justice Lee reserved his decision and it is believed that the case will be placed on the calendar for trial.

An Electric Christmas Gift
For your wife would be most appreciated. Just have the house wired for electric lights. She will be delighted and you will be also. So modern, convenient, clean and healthful.
THE LOWELL ELECTRIC LIGHT CORPORATION
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POLICE BOARD

An Officer Suspended for Irregularity

Patrolman Samuel J. Bigelow was found guilty of violating rule 19 of the police manual at a meeting of the board of police held last night and was suspended for seven days. The complaint against the patrolman was signed by Supt. Redmond Welch and alleged that he failed to report at police quarters at the proper time after having completed his night's work. The accused admitted that he had violated the rule.

A hearing of the complaint against Anastasias Houlzear, whose coffee house was raided in Market street several weeks ago and a number of men arrested for gambling and subsequently convicted in the police court, was scheduled to be heard but at the request of Daniel J. Donahue, counsel for the respondent, the hearing was postponed for one week.

Licenses were granted as follows: Pool and billiards, John Vlahakos, 485 Market street; common victualler, Robert Crawford, 626½ Merrimack street; express, Lactance Gaudette, North Chelmsford; job wagon, Fred H. Ethier, 111 Lakeview avenue; transfer of sixth class liquor license of Clarence H. Upton of the Hall & Lyon Co., for two more rear doors; hawker and peddler, Maurice Soloski, 18 Daly street; renewal of theatre licenses, John T. Shannon, resident manager of Hathaway theatre; Elmer E. Elsworth, 230 Central street, Alhambra theatre; Ralph T. Ward, 349 Central street, Opera House; shooting gallery, Thomas F. Hennessey, 243 Central street; Bowl-a-way Amusement Co., 241 Central street, Thos. F. Hennessey, treasurer; La Scala theatre, 245 Central street; auctioneer, Frank J. Green, Chelmsford Centre.

Buy your leather goods at Devine's and save money. 124 Merrimack st.

INJURIES FATAL

Man Knocked Down by a Runaway

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Peter McDonald, aged 68, of 4 Bunker Hill street, Charlestown, for 16 years an employe of the street cleaning department, was struck by a runaway horse on Warren avenue, near Front street, Charlestown, shortly before 2 yesterday afternoon and suffered injuries from which he died at the relief hospital less than an hour later.

Mr. McDonald was at his work when the horse attached to an express wagon bore down upon him. Shouts of those near him turned his attention toward the runaway and he attempted to get out of the way, but was struck with great force and thrown to the pavement. He was assisted to a doorstep and a call was sent for the relief hospital ambulance in which the injured man was taken to the hospital.

The horse and express wagon are owned by Hupperich & Co. of Forest Hills. The horse was feeding at the Boston & Maine freight house, Warren avenue, when it took fright.

Mr. McDonald is survived by a son, Frank McDonald of 22 Trenton street, Charlestown, and a married daughter. He was a familiar figure in and around City square, Charlestown, where he worked many years on crossings and was well liked for his pleasant greetings and kindly disposition.

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Blood Poison can never be cured with mercury or potash. You might as well know this first as last. Medical authorities say so. The most these drugs can do is to drive the blood poison back into the system and smother it for several years. Then when you think you are cured, pitiful mercury symptoms will break out, and you find that your bones have been rotting all the while. Your teeth will begin to loosen and your tissues, glands, brain and vital organs will show the terrible destructive power of the mercury and potash. Locomotor Ataxia, Paralysis, Imbecility and Premature Death are then almost inevitable. Any medical authority will corroborate these statements. The remarkable vegetable Obbac Treatment does not drive in the

Blood Poison

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You want to be cured and cured quick—not poisoned with mercury and potash for years. A 30-Day Treatment is yours for the asking. You will open your eyes at what it will do for you in a month. We treat you free for a month. Just write to us and get the treatment free. Then if you are satisfied it is the most remarkable treatment you ever took, you can continue if you wish. Never in your life will you ever again have such an opportunity for a complete cure, as is given you by this

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This is a square deal. You sign nothing, no notes, make us no promises, except to take the treatment.

The wonderful Wassermann Test, the only blood test known to scientists, proves that the body is completely purified by the Obbac Treatment, and that mercury and potash do not cure blood poison. Sit down and write to us, giving a full history of your case in detail. We will treat your letter as a sacred confidence. Consultation and advice free. We will send you also the remarkable book, "Driving Out Blood Poison" free.

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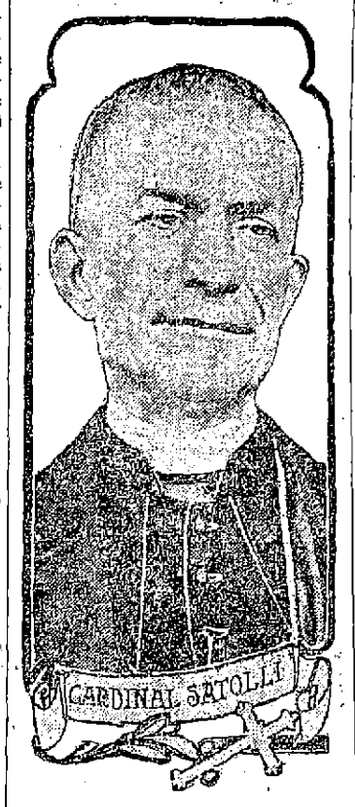
FAMOUS PRELATE

Who is Seriously Ill in Rome

ROME, Dec. 22.—Cardinal Satolli, who is ill in Rome, is in receipt of hundreds of sympathetic messages from churchmen and laymen in America. He made hosts of warm friends on his visits to this country. The cardinal is suffering from nephritis, and the principal alarm over his condition is due to the weakness of his heart. He has not been in the best of health for more than a year, but until recently his illness was not regarded as serious. He was born in 1839. Archbishop Ireland recently paid his respects to the cardinal in a glowing eulogy. He also sent a message of sympathy to the famous prelate.



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LARGE INCREASE

In Our Trade With Central America

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Trade between South America and the United States in 1909 will exceed all previous records, with a total of nearly 260 million dollars, against 233 millions in 1907, and 229 millions in 1899. Of this total of 260 millions, 175 millions is the estimated total of imports from, and 85 millions that of exports to South America.

Imports from South America in the calender year 1909 show an increase of nearly 40 per cent. over those of last year, and the full year's record will probably exceed by 25 million dollars that of 1906, until now the banner year in our imports from South America. In the 10 months for which detailed information has reached the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor, imports from South America aggregated 143 million dollars, compared with 101 millions in a like period of 1908, 126 millions in 1907, and 111 millions in 1906.

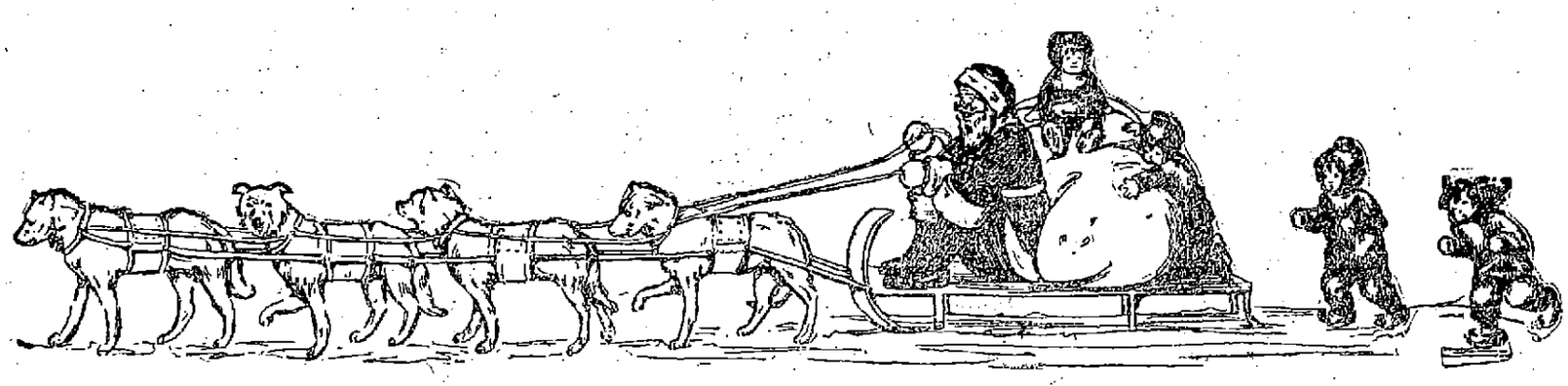
The South American countries participating most largely in the import trade of the United States, stated in the order of importations in 10 months of the present year, are: Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, Uruguay, Ecuador, Dutch Guiana, British Guiana, French Guiana, Paraguay, and Bolivia. From Bolivia our nominal imports are practically nil by reason of its inland location. In the 10 months ending with October of the years named, imports from Brazil increased from 58½ million dollars in 1908 to 82 millions in 1909; Argentina, from 10 1-3 millions to 22½ millions; Chile, from 10½ millions to 13 millions; Venezuela, from 6 millions to 7 millions; Uruguay, from 1¾ millions to 4 millions; and those from Ecuador, from 1¾ millions to 2½ millions, while imports from Peru for both periods aggregated about 5 millions.

Coffee is the largest item of importation from South America, the value imported in the 10 months of 1909 having been 54 million dollars, against 45 millions in the same months of the preceding year; while the articles next in importance are: India rubber, 32 million dollars in 1909, against 17 millions in a like period of 1908; hides of cattle, 18 million dollars, compared with 6 millions last year; wool, 8 million dollars, compared with 3½ millions last year; goat skins, 4 million dollars, against less than 3 millions last year; cacao and cocoa, crude, 3 2-3 million dollars, practically the same value as that for the 10 months of the preceding year; copper pigs, bars, etc., 3½ million dollars, a decrease of about $200,000 compared with last year; and copper ore and matte, 2 million dollars, compared with 1 million dollars last year; while other articles showing each a total of less than 1 million dollars of importations in the 10-month period of 1909 include raw cotton, 733 thousand dollars; sugar, 625 thousand; and bananas, 329 thousand dollars.

South America furnishes about eight-ninths of the coffee supply of the United States, the total imports of coffee into the country during the 10 months of 1909 having been 845 million pounds, valued at 64 million dollars, of which 745 million pounds, valued at 54 million dollars came from South America, Brazil's share alone being 649 million pounds. Brazil is the largest single source of supply for rubber imported into the United States, furnishing nearly one-half of the 73 million pounds imported in the 10 months of 1909 under review, the remainder chiefly from Mexico, Africa, and the East Indies. Of the 98 million pounds of goat skins imported into the United States in 10 months of 1909, 3 2-3 millions were from Brazil and 6 1-3 from other South America; while of the total imports of cattle hides, aggregating 208 million pounds in the period under discussion, Brazil's share was but 3 2-3 million pounds out of a total importation of 89 millions from all South America. Of the 271 million pounds of wool imported during the 10 months of 1909, 34¼ millions was clothing wool from Argentina, 4 1-3 millions clothing wool from other South America, and 7 millions carpet wool from that continent.

Exports to South America in 1909 will approximate if not actually equal the high record total of 86 millions made in the calendar year 1907. For the 10 months under review the total is 67 1-2 millions, against 71 millions in 1907. Comparing 10 months exports in 1909 with those of a like period of 1908, exports to Brazil increased from 11 million dollars to 16 millions; those to Argentina, from 28 millions to 29 millions; to Chile, from 4 1-2 millions to 5 1-2 millions; Uruguay, from 2 3-4 millions to 3 1-3 millions; and those to Venezuela, from nearly 2 millions to a little over 2 millions.

Manufactures supply by far the larger proportion of the exports to So. America, while raw materials and food stuffs supply most of the imports from that continent. Exports of illuminating oil to South America showed in the 10 months of 1909 a total of 6 million dollars; boards, etc., 5 3-4 millions; agricultural implements, 5 millions; cotton cloth, scientific instruments, rails, wire and hardware, each about 2 millions; and naval stores, twine, sewing machines, upper leather, lubricating oil, lard, locomotives, cars and carriages, cotton seed oil, furniture, electrical machinery, and typewriters ranging downward from 1 million to $500,000 each.



ONLY THREE DAYS REMAIN to do whatever you have planned for Christmas. A single day spent right here will accomplish more than a week spent in a half dozen places. Ready-to-Wear Goods are the most acceptable gifts, especially after the past year of small salary roll and economy. That's where we are strong. Everything for man, woman or child, and at prices that satisfy.

His Christmas Gifts Cost Less Here

Choosing Suitable Gifts for Him is an Easy Matter Here.

Men's Neckwear, knitted and plain four-in-hands, thousands of patterns and superb colored effects; the plain colors, also figures, cross and bias stripes. Each tie in a beautiful Christmas box ..... 24c to $1

Bow Ties put up in pretty box 15c

Christmas Suspenders, in fancy boxes, also combination sets including suspenders, garters and armlets to match or suspenders and four-in-hand Tie to match ..... 24c and 48c

Men's Gloves, all our higher grade street and driving gloves, prettily boxed, make acceptable gifts ..... 98c to $4.50

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, splendid variety of fancy and plain colors, with or without initial ..... 24c and 48c

Men's Handkerchiefs, a good gift at a small investment, fine cambric and linen, hemstitched, plain or initial. 12 1-2c to 48c

Jewelry—Every man uses a pair of Cuff Links, many use Pins also. We have prettily boxed sets including links and pin to match, at ..... 24c and 48c

Mufflers, fancy weave Phoenix Mufflers and plaid handkerchief mufflers, also in silk and cassimere. Put up in a box ..... 48c to $9

Dainty Handkerchiefs

Beautiful Handkerchiefs, in boxes, six pure linen embroidered handkerchiefs, in pretty holiday boxes, per box $1.50

Six Dainty Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, in boxes, the daintiest kind of a gift for Christmas, at per box ..... 50c and 75c

Six Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, in pretty box, ready to send as a gift, at per box 75c

Six Cross Barred Initial Handkerchiefs, in fancy Christmas boxes, at per box 45c

Beautiful Lace Handkerchiefs, now on display for the holidays, at each 12 1-2c

Embroidered Handkerchiefs, dainty designs, very special at 12 1-2c

Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in fancy edge or hemmed, 100 patterns to select from, each 10c

Fancy Embroidered Xmas Handkerchiefs ..... 10c Each

Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered corner ..... 10c Each

Lace Edge Handkerchiefs, embroidered or cross bar, scalloped edge with corner embroidered in colors ..... 5c Each

Children's Handkerchiefs, three in fancy box, white or colored border, per box 19c

Children's Initial Handkerchiefs, three in box 25c

Aprons As Gifts

Ladies' Tea Aprons, in dotted Swiss, with embroidered ruffle 48c

Cross Bar Tea Aprons, in assorted checks, with fine embroidered ruffle 48c

Square Tea Aprons, with val. or hamburg insertion and ruffle, extra wide ties, 48c

Bretelle Tea Aprons, in plain or dotted Swiss with hamburg bretelles and long ties 48c, 69c

Long Aprons in Bretelle, with hamburg bretelles in bib 48c

Bretelle Aprons, in plain muslin, with fancy embroidered bib 24c

Dotted Swiss and Plain Lawn Tea Aprons, in square or round, extra fine quality, 24c

Long, Plain White Skirt Aprons, can be worn either side, two widths 48c

Long Aprons, with insertion and cluster hemstitched neck and long ties 48c

Something for Baby

Infants' Moccasins, with rosettes in plain white and white with blue or pink trimmings 25c

Infants' Booties, in quilted satin, bear skin and Chamois, red, pink, blue, white and Dresden ..... 24c, 48c and 98c

Pretty Box, containing a pair of infants' silk hose and white moccasins, very useful and pretty 98c

Bearskin Bonnets, in all the latest shades, finished with cord and satin ribbon. 48c to 69c

Felt Bonnets, in the Dutch effect, trimmed with pink or blue satin lace ruching, 95c

Infants' Knit Sacques or Kimonas, in white trimmed with blue or pink 48c

Infants' Long Kimonas, in flannel, white, trimmed with Persian colors 48c

Ladies' Neckwear and Corset Covers

Fancy Net Jabot and Silk Collar, put up in fancy Christmas boxes. An exceptional gift at 98c

Stock or Jabot Collars, all shades, ornamented with gilt and Persian braid, put up in fancy box 48c

Stock Collars, with or without jabots, trimmed with fancy braid, spangles and ruchings, boxed in handsome Christmas boxes 24c

Corset Covers in fancy box, real lace trimmings on back and front, three rows of ribbon 48c

Persian Lawn Corset Covers, very fine embroidery, two rows ribbon with bows, prettily boxed 75c

Fine Batiste Corset Covers, lace and medallion trimmed. These are put up in fine Christmas box 95c

Christmas Jewelry

Ladies' Fancy Pins, three in a box ..... 48c a Set

Babies' Initial Pins, two in a fancy box 48c

Brooch Pins, in assorted stones and brilliants 48c

Newest Styles in Brooch Pins, assorted stones 24c

Hat Pins, in all newest designs, put up in a holly box, 24c and 48c

Men's Cuff Links, in old gold or oxidized silver ..... 48c a Pair

Cuff Links and Scarf Pins, all the latest styles. Prettily boxed ..... 48c a Pair

Kimonas and Dressing Sacques

Ladies' Long Flannelette Kimonas, with shirred back, rolled collar, button on sides, panel front, satin trimmed. Regular value $3.98 ..... $2.98

Long Kimonas of Flannelette, with high or Dutch neck, plain or side tucked, with belt, extra full. Regular value 98c, 79c

Dressing Sacques, with empire or shirred back, in all the newest shades, ribbon trimmed, ribbon ties. Regular value $1.98 ..... $1.48

Dressing Sacques in German flannelette, extra heavy, with sailor collar or turned down collar and rolled cuffs, shirred or box plaited back, ribbon trimmed. Regular value $1.25 ..... 95c

Dressing Sacques or Short Kimonas in high neck, fancy colors, fitted waist line or belt. Regular value 59c 47c

Dressing Sacques in black and white figure, silver gray or navy blue. Regular value 50c 39c

FULL LINE OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS 5c AND 10c

Fancy BELTS

Ladies' Fancy Mercerized Belts, in light blue, green, navy or black, with fancy buckle, 24c

Ladies' Silk or Satin Embroidered Belts, in all the newest shades, buckles to match 48c

Fancy Dresden Elastic Belts, with beautiful jeweled buckles 98c and $1.50

All 98c Corset Covers . . 69c

All prettily boxed. Won't last long at this price.

Ladies' 121-2c Initial Handkerchiefs 10c

Initial handkerchiefs are ideal gifts. Sold 6 in a box, at 60c a box.

UMBRELLAS As Gifts

Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas, made of fine twilled cloth, natural wood and fancy handles 98c

Fine Mercerized Twill and Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, ladies' and men's sizes, plain or fancy handles, $1.48 and $2

Fine Grade Taffeta Silk and All Silk Umbrellas, gold trimmed handles, for ladies and men, $3, $4, $5

DOLLS

Importer's sample line closed out, latest style dressed dolls, some silk and some satin dresses, worth $1.25 and $2.50. Priced at 98c

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DOLLS

Big line of jointed sleeping dolls, silk, satin and wash dresses, also kid body dolls and wool dolls ..... 24c and 49c

LEFT TO CHARITY

Sum of $27,000 to Be Distributed

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Nine Catholic institutions of Boston will receive substantial Christmas gifts in cash as the result of the first distribution of the residue of the estate of the late John J. Finnigan, a prominent real estate man of the city. Thomas F. Reddy, executor of the will, last night announced he would distribute $27,000 among the institutions before Christmas day.

PINCHOT'S PREDICTION

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 22.—Gifford Pinchot, one of the principals in the Pinchot-Ballinger dispute over the government's conservation service, declared last night before the Cleveland chamber of commerce that unless congress takes some action and takes it in this present session, "the old system of giving away water power sites in perpetuity will be resumed."

Pinchot did not mention Secretary Ballinger. In reviewing the question of the existence of water power combines and monopolies, he said:

"The worst of it is that these consolidations continue without any sort of government control. I am careful not to say that there is a single great water power trust, because I don't believe there is—now. Some of these days there will be."

Think!

That as a matter of dollars and cents, you cannot afford to use any other milk because facts and figures both prove that Hood Farm milk is cheaper than any other.

Think what good fortune it is to the citizens of Lowell to be able to obtain such a superior quality of milk, cream and butter as Hood Farm delivers.

A lady said to Mr. Hood: "The milk from your farm is perfectly delicious. I wish I could afford to use it all the time." He replied, "You cannot afford to use any other because of its superior richness in fat and solids." She said: "Well, I never thought of that." And she has used Hood Farm milk ever since.

Why don't you try it for a week or two?

'Phone the Farm, 516-4. Delivered in most parts of the city at 10 cents a quart.

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KING'S FUNERAL

Throngs of People Crowd Into Brussels

BRUSSELS, Dec. 22.—Throngs are arriving from all parts of Belgium and points outside to attend the funeral of the late King Leopold and the accession of Prince Albert to the throne. The demand for cards of admission to the church and parliament exceeds the supply by many thousands while a small army of foreign newspaper representatives are vainly clamoring for journalistic privileges.

The foreign princes, missions and delegations have reached here. Prince Albert personally met the Duke of Connaught, Prince Henry of Prussia and Prince Ferdinand of Rumania.

An extraordinary feature at the palace is the wealth of floral offerings from all parts of the world. The grand staircase and halls have been transformed into exquisite flower gardens. Princess Louise, carrying a bunch of orchids, yesterday visited and prayed long beside the coffin of her father.

There is a rumor that the stock company to which the king turned over most of his private property is about to dissolve, on the ground that its organization was illegal. It is authoritatively stated, however, that this rumor is unfounded and that the company will continue to exist and will contest to the end the suits brought by Princess Louise and Princess Stephanie.

BIG AVIATION MEET

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Thirty-seven heavier than air craft have been entered for the January Los Angeles aviation meet. This is equal to the total number of entries of this class at Rheims, France. It is believed that the total when entries close on Thursday will be 42.

Dominguez ranch, near Compton, probably will be the scene of the meet.

TO COACH NAVY ELEVEN

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 22.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Navy Athletic association last night, Lieut. F. D. Berrin was reappointed head coach of the navy football squad for next year.

POLICE CALLED

Trouble at a Storrow Rally

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Congressman John A. Keliher was hissed from the stage and was not allowed to speak at a rally in South Boston last night is the first disturbance to mark the local mayoralty campaign. Other speakers were also refused the right to speak and eventually a special detail of police was called by the supporters of Candidate James J. Storrow. Among the speakers, besides Mr. Storrow were Congressman Keliher, Rep. E. T. J. Noonan, Jas. H. Donovan and Attorney James Auerbach. All of the speakers were driven from the stage by hisses and the uproar, with the exception of Mr. Storrow, who spoke briefly but could not make himself heard to any extent.

The South Boston section is generally held to be a stronghold of Candidate Fitzgerald who has been freely criticized by the speakers in Candidate Storrow's following during the past week.

Prescott hall to let Sat. evenings.

U. S. STEEL CO.

Offers More Stock to Its Employes

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The finance committee of the U. S. Steel corporation has voted to offer the employes of the corporation the opportunity of subscribing to its preferred stock at $125 a share. In addition, a bonus of $1,000,000 in common and preferred will shortly be divided, each employe having the choice of common stock at 90 or preferred at 124, or a proportion of both.

This is the highest price at which the preferred has been offered to the employes since the company's profit-sharing plan went into effect in 1903. The subscription price of the stock last year was $110 a share. Yesterday it closed on the stock exchange at 124⅞.

Since the profit-sharing plan was instituted, the employes have subscribed in all for 16,000 shares of common and 193,493 shares of preferred for which they have paid $17,475,000. At present prices, their investment shows a paper profit of $8,525,000.

T. P. O'CONNOR

Was Given a Farewell Dinner

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—W. Bourke Cockran and Justice Martin J. Keogh of the state supreme court gave a farewell dinner at the Lotus club last night to T. P. O'Connor, the Irish leader and member of the British parliament, who will return to England today, after a visit to this country in the interest of home rule for Ireland. Fifty-one guests sat down to table, among them William J. Gaynor, mayor-elect.

HEAVY DAMAGE

Fire in After-hold of Steamer

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Fire in the afterhold of the steamship Harry Luckenbach, of the Insular line, last night resulted in the sinking of the steamer and her cargo of 45,000 bags of sugar at her pier in the Erie basin, South Brooklyn. The damage is estimated at between $150,000 and $175,000.

"LITTLE TIM"

PROMINENT NEW YORK ALDERMAN IS DYING

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Alderman Timothy P. Sullivan, affectionately known south of 14th street as "Little Tim," to distinguish him from his cousin, Timothy D. Sullivan (Big Tim), the state senator, is dying. He has been ill for some time and a week ago was critically seized.

Mr. Sullivan has a complication of diseases.

NOVEMBER EXPORTS

November exports, which exceed by 20 per cent. those of November last year, are shown in some detail by a special statement just prepared by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor. It shows the value of 50 principal articles exported in November and the 11 months ending with November, 1909, compared with corresponding periods of last year. Of the 31¾ million dollars' increase, 16 millions, or over one-half, occurs in cotton; yet the quantity of cotton exported in November is materially less than in November of last year. The quantity of cotton exported in November, 1909, was 552 million pounds valued at 79 million dollars, and in November of last year the quantity exported was 691 million pounds valued at 63 million dollars. The average price of cotton exported in November was 14.3c. per pound, against 9.1c. in November, 1908, an increase of 57 per cent. in price. Another marked characteristic of the statement is that nearly all foodstuffs show a falling off. In the 11 months ending with November, wheat exports were but 47 million dollars against 87 millions in the same period of last year; flour, 44 millions, against 56 millions in 1908; bacon, 21⅛ millions, against 26 millions last year; hams and shoulders, 20 millions, against 22½ millions last year; fresh beef, 9 millions, against 14½ millions last year; and cattle, 14 millions, against 22 1-3 millions in the corresponding period of last year.

AN ANCIENT LAW

May Have Bearing on Middleboro Case

MIDDLEBORO, Dec. 22.—A law enacted in 1698, and which is still on the statute books of Massachusetts, had a bearing on a case in the district court yesterday. Judge Washburn observed that it was about time some of the old laws were removed from the books and working ones substituted.

Robert Slesser was in court charged with the larceny of a dog valued at $75 from Harrison W. Atwood. Atwood said his dog disappeared about the middle of November, and three weeks later it was found at Slesser's house. He talked with Slesser about its return and Slesser wanted $6 charges.

Mr. Atwood then consulted the police and Slesser was arrested after a lively scene had been enacted at his farm, incidental to which a revolver was pulled by Chief Swift, after Slesser, it is alleged, sent his son home to the house to get his shotgun.

Slesser claimed he advertised the finding of the dog in a local paper and showed copies of the ad. He contended that he should receive pay for his trouble. In looking up the law Judge Washburn found that in addition to the newspaper advertising Slesser should have filed a description of the dog with the town clerk and should have also posted the description in two public places. This was not done.

Judge Washburn said probably 90 of every 100 people in town would have considered the newspaper advertising sufficient, and he thought Slesser acted in good faith.

Slesser was denied compensation and discharged. The dog was taken on a search warrant by Chief Swift and is now in possession of his owner.

Judge Washburn also called attention to the fact that Atwood was liable for not having the collar on his dog marked with the license number and the owner's name.

LARGE JUDGMENT

Against the City of Boston

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—One of the largest judgments ever entered against the city of Boston was given by agreement of the parties concerned in the Suffolk county court yesterday when an award of $556,410 damages and $10 costs was made by Judge Simeon P. Baldwin of Connecticut and Evelyn MacCurdy, trustees of the will of Edward F. Salisbury, and as such owners of the property at the northeast corner of Washington and Summer streets. A portion of the property was taken by the transit commission for use as an entrance to the Summer street station of the subway.

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"Badly neglected teeth in childhood is felt through the entire life of the individual," said Dr. Hopkins.

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"The spread of contagion is largely through drinking cups or eating utensils."

"Proper care of the mouth and teeth will go far in limiting the spread of contagious diseases."

"Cases of anaemia and physical and mental disability in children can be frequently traced to broken down or lost teeth."

"Disease of the eyes and ears arise from diseased teeth.

"Many cases of tuberculosis owe their development of the germs in the mouth."

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SHOT HIMSELF

Act Was Prompted By Love Affair

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—A man who gave his name as William Ellenwood, left the outward bound Boston train at Montreal West, the first station out of Montreal, last evening, and standing on the station platform, shot himself several times. The act, he stated, was prompted by a love affair. In his pocket was found a photograph bearing the words "Miss Terry, Hanover, Mass."

He is in a critical condition.

OFFICERS ELECTED

BY L'ASSOCIATION CATHOLIQUE LAST EVENING

L'Association Catholique held its election of officers last evening with the following results: President, Geo. E. Poirier; vice-president, Xavier Delisle; recording secretary, Henri Dalgle; assistant recording secretary, Eugenie Lemire; corresponding secretary, Alderic Tellier; treasurer, Joseph L. Lamoureux; financial secretary, Napoleon M. Lozeau; assistant financial secretary, Eugene Savard; first marshal, Joseph Payette; second marshal, Adelard St. Jean; librarian, Arthur Lussier; directors, Ubald Racette, Henri Simard, Louis St. Jean; interior guard, Eugene Boudreau; exterior guard, Pierre T. Beauregad; medical examiner, Dr. D. S. Bélichumeur.

The chaplain of the association is Rev. Fr. Ouellette, O. M. I.

Rev. Fr. Wattelle, O. M. I., superior of St. Joseph's parish, has accepted the association's invitation to be present Jan. 4 at the installation of these new officers. A committee was appointed last night to prepare an entertaining program for the occasion.

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CHARMING PARTY

IN COLONIAL HALL LAST EVENING

A pretty social affair was held in Colonial hall last evening, about 200 members of the younger set being present. The hall was decorated with firs, holly, crimson lights and palms. Many college boys and college girls were in attendance.

Those who gave the dance were the Misses Marjorie Fish, Katherine Tucke, Helen Nesmith, Louise Parker, Dorothy Webster, Eugenia Meigs, Madge Hockmeyer and Elizabeth Wilder. As matrons for the evening the mothers of the young ladies were in the receiving line.

The ushers were Messrs. Allan Parker, Charles Bartlett, Hutchins Parker, Foster Ellingwood, Edward Tucke, Parker Tucke, Joseph Meigs, Clive Hockmeyer, Henry Wilder, Jack Parker, Harry Chalifoux, George Jefferson, Ernest Scribner and Walter Durfee.

PIU ETA CLUB

FORMED BY POPULAR YOUNG PEOPLE

A number of young ladies and young men met last evening at the home of Miss Catherine Donahue and formed a club which will be known as the Piu Eta club. The following officers were elected: President, John McDermott; secretary, Catherine Donahue; treasurer, Josephine Rohan. After the meeting, refreshments were served and a musical program was enjoyed.

PHILATHEA CLASS

MET WITH MRS. J. CLARK GLIDDEN

The Philathea class of St. Paul's M. E. church met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. J. Clark Glidden. Routine monthly business was transacted. It was voted to make a gift to the Salvation Army and to the Sunday school. Mrs. Daniel Light, in behalf of the class, presented Mrs. Glidden a beautiful pair of brass candlesticks, and Miss Florence Rowell, in behalf of the class, presented the class president, Miss Grace Pearley, a bouquet of pinks. After a social hour that was much enjoyed, the meeting adjourned.

GREEK PREMIER

DID HIS UTMOST TO PREVENT A CRISIS

ATHENS, Dec. 22.—The minister of war, Col. Lapathiotis, presented his resignation to the premier yesterday afternoon. The premier did his utmost to avert a crisis, and the Military league strongly urged the minister to withdraw his resignation, which he eventually did.

Col. Lapathiotis' action was the outcome of a scene in the chamber of deputies Monday, when the war minister in submitting the army reorganization bill attacked the administration of ex-Premier Theotokis. The supporters of the ex-premier protested and left the chamber in a body. Later M. Theotokis made a demand upon Premier Mavromichalis for the war minister's resignation, declaring that a majority of the chamber would abstain from taking part in the sittings unless his demand was complied with.

NEW ENGLAND SOCIETY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The New England society of Brooklyn heard the chief orator at their annual banquet last night portray the Puritan as an imperfect man. In the absence of Sen. Wm. H. Borah of Idaho, Justice Wendell Phillips Stafford of the supreme court of the District of Columbia delivered the leading address.

NO DECISION GIVEN

MILWAUKEE Wis., Dec. 22.—Pugilism was revived in Milwaukee last night, after a lapse of more than a year. The star bout of the evening was a 10 round go between Bob Mohn of Milwaukee and Harry Mansfield of England, welterweights. No decision was given. Both were strong at the finish but Mohn seemed to have a shade the better on points.

MONOPLANE FLIGHT

HAMMONDSPORT, N. Y., Dec. 22.—What is said to be the first successful flight with a monoplane in America was made here yesterday by A. L. Partner, a member of the Aero club of America. Partner flew about 700 feet at a height of from 15 to 20 feet, but made a bad landing damaging the trucks of the monoplane.

CAUSED A PANIC

Fire Broke Out in Insane Hospital

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Dec. 22.—Fire in the Central hospital for the insane here last night destroyed the north wing of the institution, threatened destruction of other portions and for hours caused panic among nearly 1500 insane men and women. When the fire broke out in the north annex about 8.30 o'clock some of the insane patients escaped but the asylum authorities soon had an organized system for removal of patients from the burning wing to another portion of the hospital. The fire burned fiercely and the local fire department fought it tenaciously until at 10.30 o'clock it was under control.

The patients rescued from the burning section were escorted by guards and volunteers to the south wing. The ferocity of the fire, however, so alarmed the patients all through the asylum that the situation was most threatening and citizens of Jacksonville appealed for help.

Several of the men and women who escaped while being transferred from the burning portion were captured before they could reach the streets surrounding the asylum grounds, others were found in the outlying portions of the city. Some women were found, thinly clad, sitting on curbstones half a mile from the asylum and taken back to the institution.

Dr. H. F. Carriel, superintendent of the institution last night said that so far as he knew no lives were lost and that all the inmates were safe. The fire, he said, was confined to the north wing of the north annex and that the female patients did not escape, but were removed to the south annex.

The property loss is $15,000. The cause of the fire is not known.

MAYOR HIBBARD

Asked Appointment of Favorites

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Vernon E. Skinner, penal institutions' commissioner, admitted at a hearing on conditions at the Deer Island penal institution before the finance commission late yesterday, that one of the men holding a prominent position at Deer Island was addicted to drink and that men were appointed to positions at the island on recommendations of the mayor's office and aldermen without special inquiry being made into the qualifications. The commissioner named all but three of the board of aldermen as having urged the appointment of favorites, as well as the mayor and his secretary.

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DR. DUDLEY DEAD

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 22.—Dr. Chas. B. Dudley, chief chemist for the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., died last night of typhoid pneumonia, aged 68 years. Dr. Dudley was one of the most prominent scientists in the country.

KILLED HIMSELF

Man Jumped in Front of Train

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Uttering a hysterical scream, a young, well dressed man jumped from the platform of the Winter street station of the Washington street subway last night and was ground to pieces under the wheels of an approaching southbound train. The man was apparently about 20 years of age. He had been pacing up and down the station for nearly half an hour. Medical Examiner George B. McGrath was unable to find anything by which to learn the man's identity.

FRANK KLAUS

WON THE DECISION OVER JIM FLYNN

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—By continued aggressiveness and consistent work throughout, Frank Klaus of Pittsburg, Pa., won the decision over Jim Flynn of Boston in 12 rounds of hard slugging at the Armory Athletic association last night. Flynn secured but four of the 12 rounds, when he sent straight lefts to the face which slowed the Pittsburg boy. In the rest of the bout Klaus forced Flynn about the ring with right and left swings to the jaw.

In the preliminaries, Max Baker of Boston defeated Billy Nixon of Cambridge in eight rounds and Jack Williams of Cambridge defeated Tommy Hall of Boston in six rounds.

HUESTON DEFEATED ALLEN

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Tom Hueston of St. Louis, Mo., world's pool champion, won the first leg of the world's championship pool match which started here last night, defeating Benjamin Allen of Kansas City, Mo., 200 to 185.

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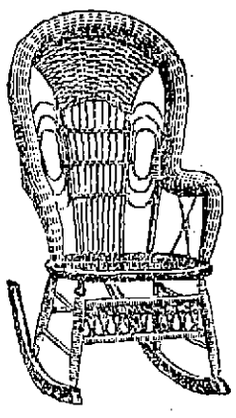

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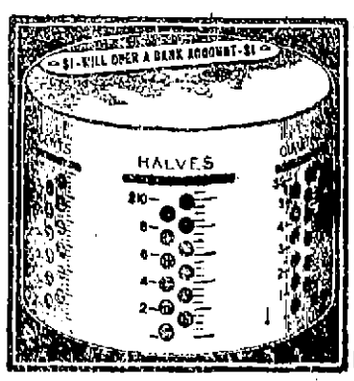

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NIGHT EDITION

ERRATIC MARKING

Of Ballots Lost Seventeen Votes for Mr. Meehan

THIS IS A BLANK VOTE

MAYOR - - MARK ONE	
GEORGE H. BROWN—193 Mammoth Road ..... Republican	
FRANK BURGESS—144 Shaw Street ..... Socialist	
JOHN F. MEEHAN—224 Worthen Street ..... Democratic	X

THIS IS A BLANK VOTE

JOHN F. MEEHAN, Democratic	
	X

THIS IS A VOTE FOR MEEHAN

JOHN F. MEEHAN, Democratic	X

As was stated in The Sun yesterday the losses in the vote for Mr. Meehan were due, almost without exception, to the mistake made by voters in making their crosses just below Mr. Meehan's name instead of directly opposite it, as explained by the illustrations from specimen ballot accompanying this article.

It is generally believed, of course, that the men who marked their cross in the square below Mr. Meehan's name intended to vote for him, but through ignorance or carelessness cast blank ballots, for the supreme court decided years ago that such ballots are blanks.

It would seem absolutely necessary for a candidate whose name appears last on the ballot to impress this fact on the voters lest they make a mistake in marking. Mr. Meehan's name came last in the list of mayoralty candidates and there was one line under his name on which the voter might write in the name of anybody he wished to vote for.

Many voters from unsteadiness of hand or thinking that it made no difference, put the cross either on the line at the bottom of the Meehan square or wholly in the square below. In case the cross is on the line, if more than half of it is above the line the vote counts for Meehan. If more than half of it is below the line, it is a blank ballot, although the intent of the voter to vote for Meehan is unquestionable because there is no name under Meehan's for which the ballot might be counted.

The counters gave Meehan credit for some votes obviously intended for him even though the cross was not exactly in the right place but these were taken from him in the recount.

The candidate whose name is last on the list always loses votes in this way, so that voters have to be careful to guard against this error.

Take the vote cast in the recent democratic caucuses. Mr. O'Donnell's name was the last of several candidates, and just for that he lost 100 votes. The squares for crosses do not stop at the last name, but continue for one space or more to allow voters to write in any name or names they choose if the candidates named are not acceptable to them.

An article dealing with this very question appeared in The Sun on Dec. 4, and the attention of voters was called to the fact that Mr. Meehan's name would appear last on the ballot on election day. The errors in Mr. Meehan's case were not so numerous as in Mr. O'Donnell's and not sufficient to affect his election. The recount will serve mainly to decide a number of pools and bets on the size of the majority by which Meehan defeated his opponent.

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AN OLD RESIDENT

Peter Burns Passed Away in Everett

Peter Burns, an old and respected resident of this city, passed away yesterday at the home of his son, Joseph Burns, 39 Calhoun avenue, Everett. Mr. Burns went to Everett a few weeks ago to visit his son and was taken ill while there. He was one of the oldest members of the Sacred Heart parish in this city and was beloved by all who knew him. He was a great home man, was of a retiring disposition, quiet and honest, possessing a character that made friends for him of all with whom he came in contact. One of his sons is Mr. Michael J. Burns, the electrician in the police department, and the others are: James, former president of the Y. M. C. I.; Thomas, and Joseph, member of the Everett board of public works, at whose home he died. The daughters who survive him are Misses Margaret, Theresen, Mary Verecunda of Lowell, and Julia of Everett. He is also survived by six grandchildren, Frank, Arthur, Rose, Marion, Lillian and Henry R., who is a student at the Tewksbury novitiate. The funeral will take place from his home in State street, this city, and the time will be announced later.

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TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Amal Copper	89¼	88⅛	88⅝
Am Car & Fn pf	120⅛	119¼	120⅛
Am Cot Oil	68½	68¼	68¼
Am Hide & L pf	46⅞	46½	46½
Am Locomo	60¾	60¼	60¼
Am Smelt & R	103⅛	102⅝	102⅝
Am Smelt & R pf	111⅛	111⅛	111⅛
Anaconda	50¾	50½	50¾
Atchison	121¾	121½	121½
Atch pf	104¾	104¾	104¾
Balt & Ohio	117¾	117½	117¾
Balt & O pf	92	92	92
Br Rap Tran	80⅝	80¼	80⅜
Canadian Pa	179¾	179	179¾
C I Pipe pf	84⅛	84⅛	84⅛
Cent Leather	47⅞	47	47
Ches & Ohio	87¾	86⅞	86⅞
C C C & St L	82½	82½	82½
Chi & Gt W	21¼	21⅛	21⅛
Col Fuel	51	50⅞	50¾
Consol Gas	161	159	159¼
Del & Hud	186½	184½	185⅝
Del L & W	615	610	610
Den & Rio G	51¾	51⅜	51½
Den & R G pf	87½	86⅝	86⅝
Dis Secur Co	37½	37½	37½
Erie	33⅞	33½	33⅝
Erie 1st pf	50¾	50½	50⅝
Gen Elec	150¾	150½	150½
Gt North pf	143¾	143¼	143¼
Gt. No Ore ctf	81¼	81¼	81¼
Illinois Cen	147	147	147
Int Met Com	24¾	24¾	24¾
Int Met pf	61⅞	61⅞	61⅞
Int Paper	16	16	16
Int Paper pf	62	62	62
In S Pump Co	52	50½	51⅞
Iowa Central	53½	53½	53½
Kan City So	44	43¾	43¾
K City So pf	71⅛	71⅛	71⅛
Kan & Texas	49¼	48⅝	48⅞
Louis & Nash	157¼	157¼	157¼
Mexican Cent	23¾	23¾	23¾
Missouri Pa	71½	71	71½
Nat Lead	89½	88¾	89⅜
N Y Central	123⅝	122⅞	123⅛
No Am Co	85	85	85
Nor & West	99¾	99¾	99¾
North Pacific	146¾	146¼	146¼
Ont & West	49⅝	49	49¾
Pennsylvania	137	136¾	136¾
People's Gas	116¾	115½	115½
Pressed Steel	52	52	52
Pullman Co	190	190	190
Reading	172	170½	171⅜
Rep Iron & S	46	45¾	45¾
Rock Is	45¾	44½	45⅝
Rock Is pf	94¾	92¾	92¾
St L & So'wn	33¾	33¾	33¾
St L & S'n pf	80⅛	79⅞	79⅞
St Paul	158	157½	157½
So Pacific	134½	133¾	134
Southern Ry	32	31⅞	31⅞
Southern Ry pf	73¾	73¼	73¼
Third Ave	16⅞	16½	16⅝
Union Pacific	202¾	202	202
Union Pac pf	104	103¾	104
U S Rub pf	118½	118½	118½
U S Steel	91¾	91⅛	98¼
U S Steel pf	128⅛	126⅞	125⅛
U S Steel 5s	105½	105⅛	105½
Utah Copper	61⅜	60¼	60¼
Wabash R R	21½	21⅜	21⅜
Wab R R pf	58¾	58⅛	58¾
Westinghouse	81¾	81¼	81¾
Western Un	77	77	77

Cotton Futures

	Opening	Closing
December	15.18	15.24
January	15.20	15.28
February	15.40 bid	15.45
March	15.56	15.63
April		15.75
May	15.88	15.92
June		15.82
July	15.87	15.89
August	15.59	15.60
September	14.31	14.31
October	13.57	13.62

Spot Cotton

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Cotton spot closed quet, 35 points higher. Mid. Ups 15.75; Mid. Gulf 16.00. No sales.

CLOSE OF MARKET

THIS AFTERNOON WAS HEAVY AND DULL

The Coal Stocks Showed Good Strength —Prices Reported As Being Affected By Realizing During the Final Hours

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Opening prices in the stock market did not vary much from yesterday's closing figures, the widest change in the active stocks reaching a gain of a half a point in Reading. Other changes were about evenly divided in gains and losses. Rock Island pfd improved 1¾ and International Harvester 1.

Business increased largely in volume but the purchasing orders were mostly in stocks which have shown recent decided strength, such as Rock Island preferred and Consolidated Gas. A handful of other specialties also became strong but the general run of stocks were neglected. This condition encouraged bear selling of the railroad stocks later, U. P. going down nearly a point and the whole list falling back. Consolidated Gas lost most of its 2 point rise.

When it was announced that the dividend had been raised on Pittsburg C. C. C. & St. Louis, Pennsylvania stock was bought in huge amounts and improved 1 1-8. Pittsburg C. C. C. & St. Louis also moved up 2 points and large buying of Reading carried it up 1 1-4. The rest of the market was at a standstill.

Prices suffered from inanition, the market being partly lifeless. Pac. Mail declined 1¼. Pittsburg Coal rose 1. Bonds were irregular.

After the buying of the Pennsylvania stocks had quieted down the whole market relapsed into a state of idleness and fluctuations scarcely exceeded ⅛. Western Maryland ctfs. dropped 2¼ and Kas. Southern 1. Reading 2d pfd. moved up 1½.

The market closed heavy and dull. The coalers showed strength, Penn rose 1 1-2, Delaware & Hudson 2 1-2. Prices were affected by realizing at the last.

Boston Clearing House

BOSTON, Dec. 22—Clearing house statement: Exchanges, $32,970,811; balances, $2,187,240.

The Money Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Money on call firm at five per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5½ per cent. Exchanges $386,802,023; balances, $13,397,569.

Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange weak at 484.60a484.65 for sixty day bills and at 487.85 for demand. Commercial bills 484a484 1-2. Bar silver 52 3-8. Mexican dollars 44. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds irregular.

Money on call firm 4 1-2a6 per cent.; ruling rate 5, last loan 4 1-2, closing bid 5 offered at 5. Time loans weaker; 60 days 4 1-2a4 3-4 and 90 days 4 1-4a4 1-2. Six months 4 1-4a4 1-2.

Boston Copper Market

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Low priced stocks held the interest in the early trading in the local copper market today. Ojibway jumped from 9 to 14 in half an hour, while East Butte, Franklin and Hancock were also strong.

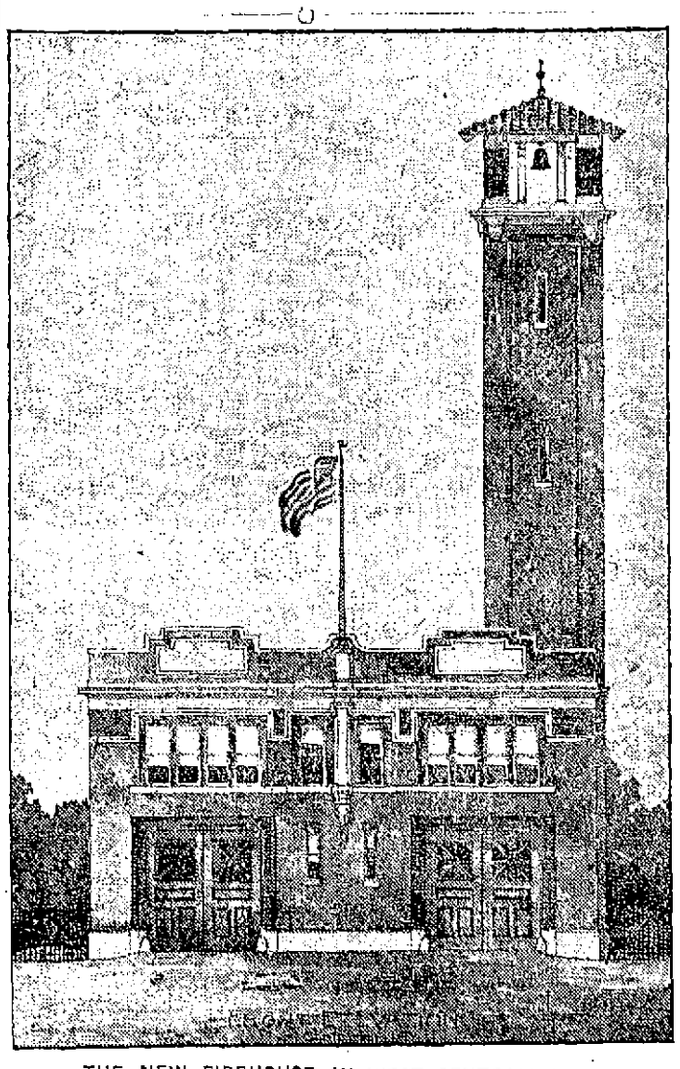
BOSTON MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Allouez	59¾	59½	59½
Am Ag Chem Com	48	47	48
Am Tel & Tel	142½	142½	142¾
Am Woolen pf	105¼	105	105
American Zinc	39⅛	39⅛	39⅛
Arcadian	8¾	7⅞	8
Arizona Com	47¾	47½	47½
Atlantic	13	12¾	12¾
Bos Con Copper	22¼	22	22¼
Boston & Albany	230	230	230
Butte Coal'n	29½	28⅞	29¼
Cal & Arizona	104	103	103
Cal & Hecla	670	670	670
Centennial	39	38½	38½
Copper Range	84½	82¼	83½
Franklin	18½	17	17½
Greene-Cananea	12⅛	11¾	12
Isle Royale	29¾	28¾	28¾
Lake Copper	73½	71	71
Mass	6¾	6¾	6¾
Mass Electric	16½	16¼	16½
Mass Electric pf	78½	78½	78½
Mass Gas	83½	83	83
Miami Cop	22½	22⅛	22⅛
Mexico Con	4⅞	4¾	4¾
Michigan	7⅞	7⅞	7⅞
Mohawk	67	65	65½
Nevada	27	26½	26¾
New Eng Tel	138	137½	137
Newhouse Mines	4⅝	4½	4½
N Y & N H	158½	158½	158½
North Butte	56½	52½	53¾
Old Dominion	56½	54¼	55
Osceola	167	163	165½
Quincy	90	88	89
Shannon	16¾	16⅛	16
Superior Copper	65¼	64½	64½
Superior & Pitts	17¼	16½	17¼
Swift & Co	109	108½	109
Tamarack	69	68	69
Trinity	10	10	10
United Fruit	170	169	170
United Sh M	68	68	68
U S Coal & Oil	36¾	36¾	36¾
U S Smelting	55	53¾	54¾
U S Smelting pf	53¼	53¼	53¼
Utah-Apex	4½	4½	4½
Utah Cons	46	45¾	46
Utah Copper Co	60¾	60½	60½
Winona	10¾	10¾	10¾
Wolverine	146	145	145

BOSTON CURB MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Bay State Gas	38	36	38
Boston Ely	4⅜	4¼	4⅜
Cactus	6⅛	6	6⅛
Davis-Daly	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝
Eclipse Oil	14	14	14
Ely Central	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛
First National	6	6	6
Goldfield Cons	8⅛	8⅛	8⅛
Inspiration	8⅞	8⅝	8⅝
La Rose	5	4⅞	4⅞
Majestic	1	1	1
National Explor	53	51	53
Ohio Copper	6	5⅞	6⅞
Raven	72	72	72
Ray Central	3⅜	3⅛	3⅜
R I Coal	11⅝	11¼	11⅝
Vulture	8⅛	8⅛	8⅛
Willett	10	10	10
Arizpe	69	49	60

NEW FIREMEN CHOSEN



THE NEW FIREHOUSE IN WEST CENTRALVILLE.

Fifteen Permanent and Ten Call Men Appointed

Fifteen permanent and ten call firemen were added to the fire department today. Besides the promotion of the callmen to permanent positions, Lieut. Herbert A. Merrill of Truck 2 was promoted to captain of the new Hose company, No. 12, in West Centralville, and Charles Abare, a hoseman on Hose 10, was made lieutenant of Hose 12. Two new men were added to the Protective company in Warren street, six permanent men were transferred and the work of making the number of members to a hose company uniform was inaugurated.

Callmen Made Permanent

The following is a list of the callmen who were made permanent firemen:

Charles F. Stackpole,
Lewis P. Reed,
Charles H. Coggeswell,
Philip F. Mooney,
Thomas F. Saunders,
Harold F. Foster,
Herbert W. Hilliard,
Robert W. B. Sloan,
James A. Shea,
Patrick F. Mahoney,
James O'Hare,
Charles E. Bugbee,
J. J. Donahoe,
John J. McManmon,
Joseph N. Bernier.

The following is a list of the ten callmen appointed.

William F. Egan,
Joseph E. Fontaine,
Edward Landry,
George A. Crawford,
Henry Carpentier,
Edward J. P. Cunningham,
David Laferriere,
Forrest E. Alcott,
John J. Flynn,
Cornelius F. Cronin.

The appointment of 15 additional firemen was made possible by the recommendation of the committee on fire department, the approval of additional money by the committee on appropriations and the passage of the recommendation of the committee on appropriations by the city council.

The increase in the number of permanent men was made necessary by the addition of an extra piece of apparatus at the new fire house in West Centralville, and in order to strengthen some of the companies throughout the city which did not have the full quota of men.

There was considerable anxiety among people both in and out of the fire department over the new appointments, and Chief Hosmer, the engineers and the newspaper offices have been besieged with inquiries for several weeks past as to who the lucky ones were.

The whole matter hinged on the report of the civil service commissioners and it was only this morning that Chief Hosmer received the list from Boston. He immediately started to make up his slate and shortly before noon made his announcements.

Herbert A. Merrill who has been connected with Truck 3 at the central fire station for a long time and who a few years ago was made lieutenant, has been made captain of the new hose company in West Centralville and Charles Abare, who was a hoseman on Hose 10 in Fourth street, has been made a lieutenant of Hose 12 in West Centralville.

List of New Firemen

The following is a list of the new firemen, showing what companies they were attached to as callmen and what companies they are now with as permanent men:

Charles F. Stackpole, remains with Steamer 2.

Lewis P. Read, callman on Steamer 3, to permanent man in the Protective company.

Charles H. Coggeswell, callman on Truck 2, to permanent on Hose 10.

Philip F. Mooney, callman on Hose 11, to permanent on Hose 9.

Thomas F. Saunders, callman on Steamer 6, to permanent on Truck 3.

Harold L. Foster, callman on Steamer 2, to permanent in same company.

Herbert W. Hilliard, callman on Truck 2, to permanent in same company.

Robert W. B. Sloan, callman on Hose 7, to permanent in same company.

James A. Shea, callman on Engine 1, to permanent on Truck 3.

Joseph N. Bernier, callman on Hose 8, to permanent on Hose 12.

Patrick F. Mahoney, callman on Truck 4, to permanent in same company.

James O'Hare, callman on Truck 1, to permanent on Engine 1.

Charles E. Bugbee, callman on Steamer 2, to permanent in same company.

J. J. Donahoe, callman on Truck 1, to permanent on Hose 7.

John J. McManmon, callman on Engine 5, to permanent in same company.

The following is the assignment of the new callmen:

William F. Egan, Hose 12.
Joseph E. Fontaine, Hose 12.
Edward Landry, Hose 12.
George A. Crawford, Engine 5.
Henry Carpentier, Hose 8.
Edward J. P. Cunningham, Engine 6.
David Laferriere, Engine 2.
Forrest E. Alcott, Truck 2.
John J. Flynn, Engine 2.
Cornelius F. Cronin, Truck 4.

The following is a list of the transfer of permanent firemen from one company to another:

J. D. D'Amour, Hose 7 to 12.
G. S. Alcott, Engine 2 to driver of Hose 12.
Patrick O'Loughlin, Truck 3 to Truck 4.
Thomas Conway, protective to Truck 4.

West Centralville Hose Co.

The following is a list of the men now attached to Hose 12, the new hose company at the West Centralville fire house:

Capt. Herbert A. Merrill.
Lieut. Charles Abare.
Joseph N. Bernier.
J. D. D'Amour.
G. S. Alcott, driver.

The appointment of the permanent men has resulted in increasing the number of firemen at the protective company from seven to nine. The automobile protective is expected to arrive in Lowell in about a week and inasmuch as it is equipped with a large chemical tank the members of that company will be known as the flying squadron.

The automobile will respond to every alarm of fire and the members of the company besides covering up property will man the chemical line and assist any company that might be shorthanded.

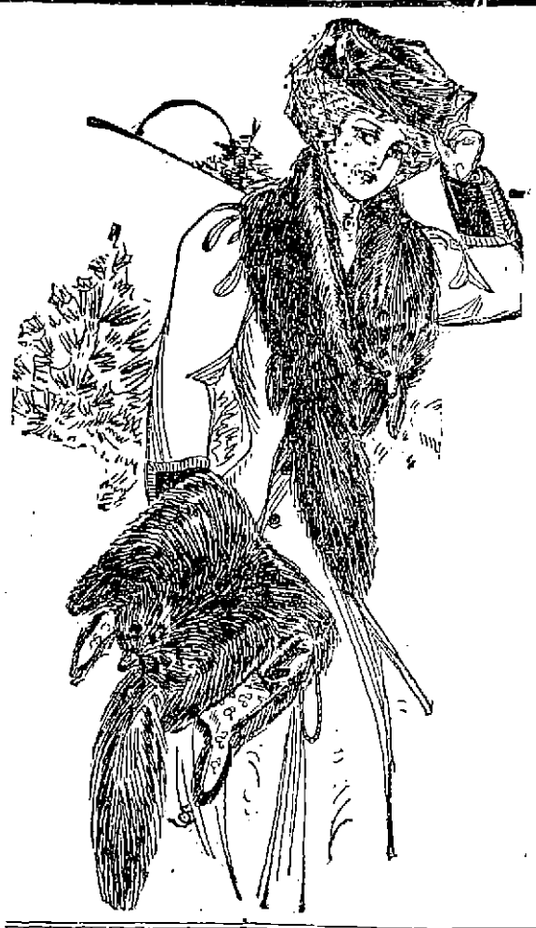
The fact that the new protective will be one of the first, if not the first, piece of apparatus to arrive at the scene of the different fires and that it will be fitted with a chemical tank the increase in the company membership should result in either extinguishing the fire or keeping it well under control until the chemicals and hose wagons arrive.

Chief Hosmer has started to make the number of permanent firemen in each hose company uniform, that is to say there will be five regular men with each hose wagon. Already hose companies 7, 9 and 12 have the new quota of men.

BROKAW TRIAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—W. Gould Brokaw was prepared today for a trying ordeal on the witness stand. Before court convened in Mineola for continuation of the trial of his wife's suit for a separation, it was announced that unless circumstances warranted a change in the plans Mr. Brokaw would be called during the day to testify in his own behalf. The strain upon the principals has grown greater with each day of the prolonged hearing on the marital woes of the Brokaws. Mrs. Brokaw, the attractive plaintiff, has shown signs of breaking down under the pressure.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.



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$7.50 and $8 Fox Muffs $5.00

$5 Opossum Muffs $2.00

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27 WERE INDICTED

In the Big "Sleeper Trunk" Smuggling Case

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Twenty-seven modistes alleged to be involved in the vast "sleeper trunk" smuggling system, one of the many ramifications of the customs frauds which have been brought to light at this port, have been indicted by the federal grand jury and all probably will be under arrest soon.

Having obtained all the evidence necessary to proceed, the government began a general roundup yesterday with the arrest of nine women and four men. All were arraigned before a U. S. commissioner and held for trial. Caroline Windmuller, held as being one of the principal offenders, gave bail for $5000. The others gave surety in smaller amounts.

It is alleged that the government was defrauded out of thousands of dollars by means of trunks containing imported finery which were left on steamship piers and secretly removed later.

TWO CHICAGO WOMEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Federal officials yesterday took into custody a number of persons who are charged with complicity in a conspiracy to smuggle gowns and dry goods into this country. Arrests were made simultaneously in different parts of the country, two women in Chicago being taken on a charge of having a part in a conspiracy to defraud the government.

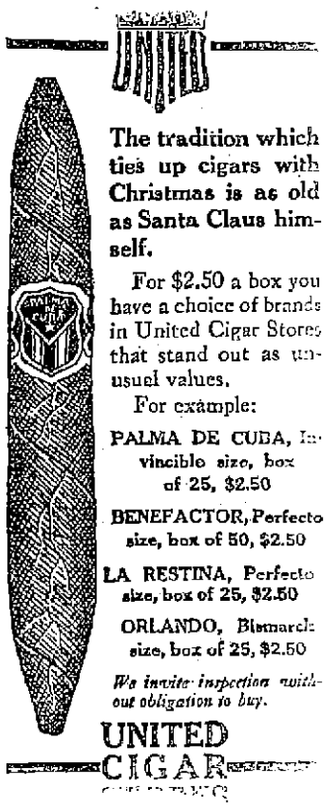
The conspirators are said to have already succeeded in smuggling across the line more than $2,000,000 worth of dutiable goods.

Those in the conspiracy are said to number 26. All of them have been indicted by the federal grand jury in New York. The arrests in Chicago were made on warrants sworn out by Asst. Dist. Atty. A. I. Smith of New York, who petitioned for their removal to New York.

The women, who were placed under $10,000 bonds by United States Commissioner Buell, are Mary L. Webber, also known as Mme. Whitney, proprietor of a fashionable establishment in Chicago, and Kathryn Schwartz.

The women, it is alleged by government officers, are partners in what is reported to have been a well-organized conspiracy to smuggle gowns and dress-maker's goods into the United States from France, Great Britain and Belgium.

Asst. Dist. Atty. Smith last night said: "It is hard to tell the value of the goods that these women have smuggled into this country. I know of one instance in which the customs officers seized three trunks containing gowns that sold at auction for $53,000.



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FATHER OBJECTS

To Wedding of His Son Under Age

Pinned to the opened page of the book of marriage intentions in the city clerk's office is a note stating that John Silva objects to the marriage of his son, Antonio Silva, who is a minor. Antonio's name does not appear on the book, and it would seem that his father rather anticipated him. The elder Silva called at the office of the city clerk this forenoon and said that his son had the marriage bee in his bonnet. "He is a minor and I object to his marriage," he said, and notice to this effect was pinned upon the book.

The following marriage intentions were registered at the city clerk's office yesterday afternoon and today:

Ernest C. Wilkins, 24, shoemaker, 76 Union street, and Maur L. Abbott, 28, at home, same address.

Panakiotis Kheogiasli 31, laborer, 188 Suffolk street, and Marigo Nucholakopoulos, 21, operative, 55 Willie street.

Alexander Johnson, 29, painter, 117 Jewett street, and Lois Brackett, 22, operative, 88 B street.

Louis Lord, 26, painter, 14 East Pine street, and Clementine Desmarais, 20, operative, 649 Middlesex street.

William A. Mead, 23, weaver, 158 Hampshire street, and Ella G. Richert, 20, operative, 140 Hampshire street.

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The Christmas stock of turkeys has arrived in Lowell, and the prices according to men in the business are the highest ever demanded for the national bird.

It's the old law of supply and demand. A disease peculiar to turkeys, known as the "Blackhead," has raged through the big turkey farms of Vermont and the west with the result that thousands of birds have died. This accounts for the raise.

A visit to the different markets reveals the fact that real Vermont turkeys will bring from 35 to 38 cents per pound. Real western turkeys demand 32 to 35 cents per pound. A local provision dealer bought a stock of choice Vermont birds in Boston this morning and paid 33 cents per pound wholesale for them.

Ducks are selling for 25 cents per pound and chicken for 25 and 28 per. Geese are rather scarce, but are going at 25 cents per pound. Celery is 15 cents and cranberries 10 cents per quart.

The retailers join with the consumers in kicking over the price of turkeys, for the wholesale price is so large that the retailer gets but a small margin.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

The clever comedian, Phil Ott, with his merry crew of fun makers, singers and dancers will be the Christmas attraction at the Opera House, both afternoon and evening.

With the coming of Phil Ott's comedians there will be things doing every instant from rise to fall of curtain.

The engagement is for seven days, commencing Christmas afternoon and evening, with the rollicking musical farce, "The Man and the Mummy," to be followed by "The Boston Belle" and "The Millionaire Kid." There's just a thread of a plot in each of these, enough to create a tangle of complicated situations in which Phil Ott and clever supporting company keep their audiences in continuous roars of laughter.

Seats for all performances are now on sale.

"FOLLIES OF 1909."

Billie Reeves, the original "Inebriated Swell" who was one of the big hits of Ziegfeld's former revue, "Follies of 1908," is one of the features of the new revue, "Follies of 1909" which is coming to the Opera House January 3, with Eva Tanguay and other stars. His specialty this year is said to be the best thing he has done. He is assisted by Miss Helen McMahon, who plays a scare-crow.

"THE CIRCUS MAN."

In "The Circus Man," which comes to the Opera House January 7 and 8, the rotund comedian, Maclyn Arbuckle, in "Fighting Hime" Look, has unquestionably the best part he has ever been called on to portray. This reads like a strong statement, when one remembers his Jim Hackler in "The County Chairman" and "Slim" Hoover, the sheriff in "The Round Up." "The Circus Man" is founded on a story by Holman F. Day, and is by Eugene W. Presbrey. There are five acts. Mr. Arbuckle and the play were warmly received in Boston during the run of "The Circus Man" at the Boston theatre.

HATHAWAY THEATRE

Real holiday entertainment is the order of things at Hathaway's theatre this week. Not a bad act on the program, and several of more than ordinary drawing power. The Four Huntings in a perfect riot of comedy are naturally headlines. They give far and away one of the funniest concoctions served up in months. It is fun all of the time, with the carrot topped delivery boy delivering over some of the funniest things ever.

Jack Connolly and Margaret Webb appear in the wholly good melange called "A Stormy Finish." This act holds much real finish to it, and Mr. Connolly's playing of the piano and Miss Webb's singing are far out of the beaten path. Lawrence & Edwards give a political skit which holds much of contemporary interest, and Galletti's baboons shake thinks up generally. Leroy is a consummate character artist, and Jeters & Rogers begin affairs with a comedy skate dancing act. Mignonette Kokin has a few new twists to the singing comedienne turn. The motion pictures are all new.

Performances will be given every afternoon and evening during the remainder of the week, with special seats at the matinees for women.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Tonight at the Academy the amateurs will be called on for their specialties, and another of these popular entertainments will afford much merriment. The vaudeville program this week is exceptionally good. Headed by that clever trio of fun makers, "Allen, Delmain and Harrold, in a "Tin Wedding," and Jules Herron, a clever German comedian; Travellettes of Mexico, the illustrated song "Stingy Kid," and three reels of moving pictures, headed by the Selig feature, "The Indian," a tale of the west in the early pioneer days. On Christmas day at the matinee every child attending the performance will receive a miniature theatre filled with choice candy. Performances every afternoon and evening.

THEATRE LA SCALA

Five cents is a mighty small sum to pay for the amusement afforded by a visit to the Theatre La Scala. There none but the best and newest pictures are shown and the songs and singers are in a class by themselves. Today one of the features tells a great story of a Tennessee feud and into which is interwoven a fine love story." The Song of the Cradle" is a very finely mounted story picture of the olden time and the comedy is a really laughable one. The songs "Where Do You Go From Here, Bill" and "Sing, Kate, Sing," are two corkers, novel and full of clever music.

STAR THEATRE

The musical Buskirk Co. in "Alderman Flanigan and the Messenger Boy" will be the stellar vaudeville attraction at the Star theatre tomorrow as Madame Cloutier, the strongest woman in the world, concludes her engagement tonight. The Musical Buskirk company presents about the funniest act on the American stage. Singing, talking, dancing and instrumental numbers are combined. The golden anvil chorus with electric sparks flying everywhere is featured.

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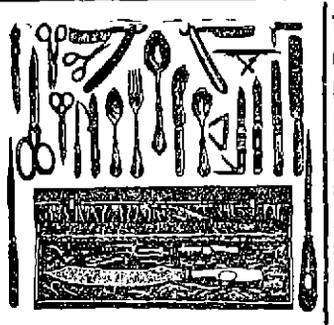

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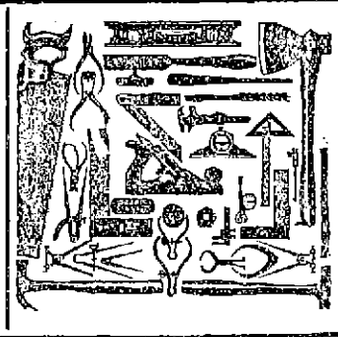

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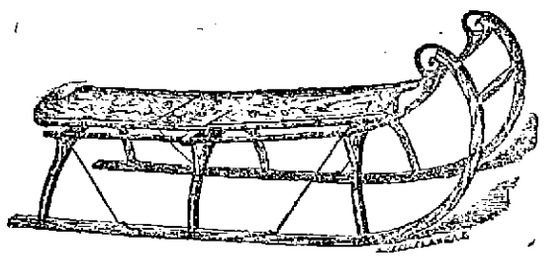

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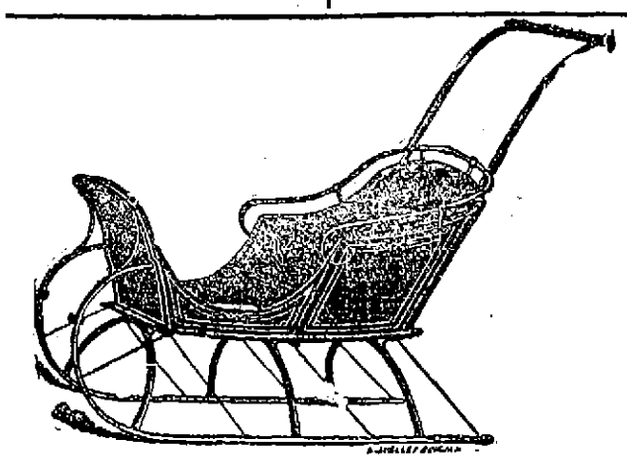

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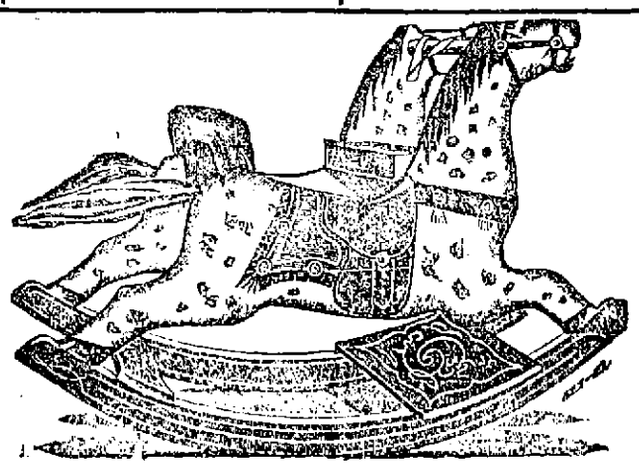

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This is by far the largest average circulation of any newspaper in Lowell.

VOTING STRAIGHT

There are now additional reasons why every citizen should "vote straight." Always put the cross directly opposite the name of the candidate you wish to vote for or your vote may be reckoned as a blank.

OBJECTIONABLE BETTING.

When democrats make bets with democrats against democratic candidates or on the vote of such candidates there is a suspicion of party disloyalty, at least on one side, for talk as we may we do not often find a man voting to throw his money to the other fellow. Democrats should not bet that way.

IMPORTED TOYS.

In spite of our high tariff it is stated that we import toys valued at $7,500,000 each year. Why can't our inventive genius produce all the toys we need in this country? It must be confessed, however, that some of our most ingenious toys are imported from Europe, principally from Germany.

THE DUSTY STREETS.

The comfort of the store-keepers along the principal streets could be greatly enhanced by the use of either the street sweeper or the watering carts on the down town streets. Some of them are covered with dust, dirt and rubbish, all of which is carried in clouds by the wind. Even the sparrow men seem to have disappeared from the streets, leaving their work undone. Is this economy?

REMEMBER THE NEWSBOYS.

At the Christmas time remember the little newsboys, many of whom are poorly clad and otherwise in need of something to bring them Christmas cheer. They are faithful little servants of the public and in their efforts to earn a few pennies daily to help support themselves and their brothers and sisters, they often suffer from cold and hunger. Among them are some boys who have comfortable homes but these are the exceptions, so that in helping these manly little fellows there is no danger that any kindness will be misplaced.

THE CASE OF DR. COOK.

The University of Copenhagen does not find Dr. Cook's data sufficient to convince an unprejudiced jury that he visited the north pole. That will probably seal the fate of Cook as an explorer. Another committee that has been investigating his claims in regard to having reached the summit of Mt. McKinley reports simultaneously with the University of Copenhagen that he did not reach the summit as he had claimed. If this latter finding be correct, it would go to strengthen the belief that he similarly set out to bluff the public into believing that he had discovered the north pole when he had not gone nearly as far as other explorers who preceded him. If either or both of these reports on Dr. Cook's claims as an explorer be true, and there is little reason to doubt them, the only inference that can be drawn is, that Dr. Cook is an unprincipled fakir and that he presumed too much upon the credulity and the gullibility of the American people.

The ascent of Mt. McKinley was a matter that concerned mainly the American people; but the discovery of the north pole concerns the entire world, and no man who cannot establish the authenticity of his claims may expect to be recognized as the discoverer of the north pole. No bluff will work in a case of such universal importance.

If Dr. Cook has attempted to bluff the scientific world in regard to his explorations in the polar regions, he undertook a task too great for any man to accomplish. Conviction of such a monstrous undertaking will blight his whole life and reduce him to the status of an unscrupulous fakir. He has disgraced not only himself but his country, and today the United States stands humiliated by the enormity of his imposture.

THE MUNICIPAL OUTLOOK

We sincerely hope that Mayor-elect Meehan will outline in his inaugural address a platform of reform that if carried out, even partially, will greatly benefit our city present and future. For the enforcement of all laws and the suppression of abuses, a firm hand is required, at the wheel so to speak. The chief executive must be a man who will not exaggerate the city's faults to impress the public with the importance of his own work or of what he is trying to do. Far better is it to boom the city's good qualities and in a quiet way suppress abuses as soon as they appear.

The reputation of our city has been injured by holding up minor abuses as typical of widespread evils when such was not the fact. This policy should be carefully relegated to the rear, and if a mayor cannot appeal to the sympathy or intelligence of the voters without misrepresenting conditions, he should be man enough to submit to his fate.

Mayor Meehan will have a good opportunity to push charter reform in a manner that will be approved by the entire city. The great difficulty is not to draft a good charter but so to harmonize the various elements of our population that they will accept such a charter.

If a thoroughly representative body be secured to draft a charter for enactment by the legislature with a referendum attached, the necessary unanimity might be secured.

The present charter is antiquated. The system of doing business under it is cumbrous and complicated.

The progressive cities of the country are adopting charters that give them a smaller city council and centre responsibility so that if anything goes wrong nobody will be at a loss to know who is to blame. That affords a means of rewarding merit and correcting abuses as soon as they appear.

Through a good charter we should have more systematic and, therefore, better and more economic city government. The tax rate should be steadily reduced so that local enterprise will be encouraged and outside industries attracted here. We must diversify our industries and encourage the small as well as the large for many of our largest industries were once small concerns struggling for existence.

SEEN AND HEARD

A record breaking shipment of 100,000 lobsters from the Provinces, which came into Boston a few days ago, was snapped up quite eagerly. Prices fell sharply from 30 to 25 cents a pound, something unusual for this season.

She was an absent minded girl and she had a letter to mail. Passing one of the Salvation Army chimneys, so conspicuous on the sidewalks these days, she was about to drop the letter when the young woman in charge of the chimney said to her: "Methinks you are making a mistake." "How stupid of me," said the absent minded one, and then she told a downright lie for which she paid the penalty—in cash. "I had two things in mind," she said. "One was to mail this letter and the other to drop a coin in the chimney. But for you I would have reversed matters," and then she dove into her purse for the coin. There was but one coin and it was a quarter. There was no way out of it—she had to drop it. That was a twenty-five cent lib.

By increasing the valuation of the personal estate of the late Robert D. Evans, whose property at Woodberry Point was President Taft's vacation home last summer, the city of Beverly is richer by $31,000. Following suit the assessors of Salem are going to assess the estate of the late Andrew W. Dodd, who had paid only a $2 poll tax for several years up to his death last winter, for $200,000. It is figured that Salem has lost over $50,000 through omitted taxes like this.

It is reported that Dr. Cook is on his way north to meet Santa Claus. He wants the old man to swear that he met him at the North pole.

THE LITTLE RED RIBBON

I sing not of battles nor conquerors laden
With trophies their valor has won in the strife;
My song is the love of a shy little maiden,
Who smiled upon me in the morning of life.
I whispered my passion, though clumsily spoken,
With fear-shining lashes she heeded my prayer;
With the ring of betrothal I begged for a token,
The little red ribbon she wore in her hair.
Though now it is faded
I picture it braided,
The way that it shimmered that night on the stair;
And often I kiss it,
And thing how I'd miss it—
The little red ribbon she wore in her hair.

The years have flown by and her locks have grown whiter;
I smile when she speaks of the gray in the gold;
I whisper to her that her glances are brighter,
Her dimples more witching than ever of old.
Our love-life has witnessed more laughing than weeping;
We chase with fond kisses the footprints of care;
But my own little wife never dreams I am keeping
The little red ribbon she wore in her hair.
Though faded and crinkled
And rumpled and wrinkled,
The bonnie bright looping that glistened so fair,
Far down in my pocket
It lies in a locket—
The little red ribbon she wore in her hair.

Mirrors, brushes, umbrellas, etc. Devine's, 124 Merrimack st.

Who Saw the Accident?

Will the person who saw a man thrown from car at corner of Chestnut and Nesmith sts. on August 11th last, kindly send particulars to M. J. J., Sun Office.

Exhibition and Sale of Hand Painted China

and needlework at the store of Derby & Morse, 64 Middle street, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

Something Electrical for Christmas
Electric Railways, Toys, Pocket Lights, Reading Lamps, etc.
Derby & Morse
64 Middle St. Tel. 468

Dr. J. T. Donehue
DENTIST
Has Removed
To Room 3, same floor, Runels Building, corner Merrimack and Bridge streets.

FURNITURE MOVING
You may be thinking about moving. If so, just call or telephone to the honest and reliable WILLIAM RIGG, at 10 Prescott st. All orders promptly attended to and handled with the greatest care. The best is the cheapest and there is none better than Rigg's packers. Our specialty is piano moving.

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
Hildreth Building Lowell, Mass

Fresh Clams Every Day
At the Lowell Inn. Fresh fish direct from the Boston wharves. Lobsters fresh from the traps. Meats fresh and wholesome. Call and see us. LOWELL INN, busiest place in Central street.

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Piles, Old Sores and Skin Diseases
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At All Up-to-Date Drug Stores
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JOHN J. O'CONNELL
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$2,000,000 GIFT

To Officers and Employes of U. S. Steel Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—More than $2,000,000 will be distributed by the United States Steel corporation as a bonus to its officers and employes, 60 per cent. of which will be in cash, according to the official announcement of Chairman Gary today. The bonus was first announced as $1,000,000 but Chairman Gary corrected this in his official announcement today in which he said: "The sum distributed for 1909 amounts to a little over $2,000,000. This will be paid 60 per cent in cash and 40 per cent in preferred stock at 124 or common stock at 90 in accordance with the wishes of the recipients so far as practicable and convenient. Also the usual opportunity will be given to subscribe for 25,000 shares of the stock of the corporation at 124 upon the usual conditions."

Post Card ALBUMS

DOLLAR VALUE
ALBUM
Holding 500 Cards
59c

75-CENT VALUE
ALBUM
Holding 400 Cards
49c

5000
DECORATED ALBUMS
Holding 100 Cards
35c VALUE FOR
19c

5000
ALBUMS
Holding 300 Cards
50c VALUE
25c

HALL & LYON CO
APOTHECARIES

CITY SOLICITOR

Advises Payment of Stenographer's Bill

There was a conference at city hall last night between members of the board of aldermen and the city solicitor relative to the payment by the city of the $4000 for stenographic work in connection with the police board hearings several months ago. Mr. Duncan said that in his opinion the city would have to pay the bill. He said that a suit entered against the city could not be successfully fought. As to the question of excessiveness, Mr. Duncan said he did not regard the bill as excessive. Mr. Rollins was present at the conference and told the aldermen that his bill was reasonable. Before the bill can be paid a special appropriation must be voted by the city council and a majority of the aldermen believed that the matter should go over to next year.

CARTARET CASE

Took Entire Session of Probate Court

The case of Ann de Cartaret vs. John de Cartaret, for separate maintenance, took up the entire session yesterday, and was continued until next Tuesday at 10.30. The witnesses for the respondent consisted of John de Cartaret, John Gookin of Tyngsboro, Caleb L. Smith and Mrs. Catherine Conners. Before leaving yesterday, Judge McIntire gave a hearing on the petition of Fannie S. Boutilette against Joseph Boutilette, to determine how much the respondent should pay under a temporary order, for the support of his minor child, pending a further hearing on the wife's petition for separate maintenance. F. W. Qua for the petitioner; James E. O'Donnell for the respondent.

The court ordered the respondent to pay $3.50 per week for the support of his daughter, who is nine years old.

Mrs. Boutilette testified that she sold her old piano to pay the rent, and has earned $25 since the first of May.

BIG CHESS TOURNAMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The 18th annual intercollegiate chess tournament between four students each from the Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton universities was begun here today. Columbia was pitted against Harvard and Yale against Princeton.

SMALL POX EPIDEMIC

AMOY, China, Dec. 22.—The officials of the American hospital announce the presence of a small pox epidemic in Amoy. Quarantine regulations for the protection of the Philippines have been inaugurated.

STILL WINNING

"SHAKESPEARE" McKERVEY HAS WON EVERY HANDICAP

As yet none of the local pool players has defeated "Shakespeare" McKervey, the one hand pool player, in a handicap match. Last night he defeated P. J. Delmore, getting one hundred balls while Delmore got 114, the latter being obliged to get 150 to win. Tonight "Shakespeare" plays at Fitchburg and tomorrow night he will play at the Y. M. C. I. in this city.

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166 CENTRAL STREET

STORE OPEN EVENINGS THIS WEEK.

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THAT WILL BE ACCEPTABLE

A Handsome Fur Lined Coat
Will make most any man think it a "Merry Christmas."
We have an excellent collection of kersey coats—lined with carefully selected furs, with Muskrat or Otter collars—from $35.00 to $250.00

Fur Coats---Fur Outside
For driving or motoring, cut very full and extra long—Manchurian black dog, Siberian Calf and Raccoon.....$15.00 to $90.00

How About a Fine Overcoat
For the Man of the House?
All of our finest overcoats from ROGERS, PEET & CO. have been reduced in price. These coats in a variety of expensive materials. Some of them lined with silk—that sold for $35, $40 and $45, are now marked $30.00

Comfortable House Coats
Made for us—cut over clothing patterns so that they fit. Entirely new effects—quiet and genteel styles, in a great variety of colors, $5.00 to $10.00

Lounge Robes and Blanket Wraps
Attractive and most useful. All made of full, generous proportions and very long—finished with satin piping and with cords and tassels—Jacquard designs and Australian blankets, from $5.00 to $18.00

Neckwear of the Greatest Elegance
Our display of Neckwear is the finest we have ever made, covering a selection of the most beautiful silks obtainable from foreign or American manufacturers.
All neatly boxed, Four-in-Hands .....25c to $2.00
Knitted Silk Ties .....50c to $1.00

Unique Scarf Pins and Link Buttons
For Men—In Attractive Boxes.
A collection of novelties absolutely unlike anything you can find elsewhere in Lowell.
Attractive Scarf Pins, heavily plated, with imitation colored stones, from ..... 25c to $2.00
Solid Gold Scarf Pins, with genuine stones—Amethysts, Olivine, Cat's Eyes, Tourmalines, Tiger's Eyes, etc., from $3.00 to $5.00
Matched Sets, studs and sleeve links, to wear with evening dress, of pearl and other correct materials.
Matched Sets, Scarf Pin and Sleeve Links, colored stones, coral and gold effects. Sets carded or boxed.....75c to $5.00

Mufflers
Knit Mufflers, Phoenix and others .....25c and 50c
Silk Mufflers, reefers and full dress protectors.....50c to $2.50

Silk Suspenders
And Suspenders and Garters, Boxed.
New designs, attractive but not gaudy—from .....50c to $1.00

Men's Christmas Slippers
Opera, Romeo and Faust style, in tan or black, dongola or vici kid. All made with trimmed soles.....$1.00, $2.00
If size is wrong, change after Christmas.

Boys' Patent Leather Dancing Pumps
Hand turned soles, with patent leather bow.....$1.35 and $1.50

Umbrellas for Men, Women, Children
All new—Fascinating novelties in handles.
Women's Umbrellas—Silk taffeta and all silk.....$1.50 to $5.00
Men's Umbrellas—Boxwood, Mission and Horn handles—Gloria, Taffeta and Silk ..... $1.00 to $5.00
Children's Umbrellas ..... 50c to $1.50

Men's Walking Gloves—Boxed
Of imported cape leather and genuine mocha—regular and short fingers.
Our Special, genuine cape leather outseams.....$1.00
Imported Cape Leather, outseams, Perrin's and Fownes.....$1.50
Gray and Tan Mocha and Chamois, imported gloves.....$1.50
Perrin's Finest Chevrette Street Gloves $2.00
Dress Gloves in white kid and gray suede.....$1.50

Men's Lined Gloves—Boxed
Imported and domestic cape, kid, mocha and reindeer gloves, lined with plush, lamb's wool, squirrel, opossum and French coney—for $1.00, $1.50, $2.00 up to $5.00

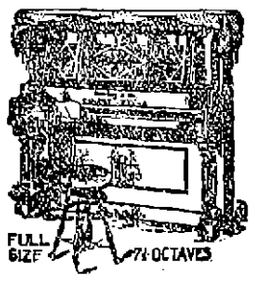
Men's Fur Gloves and Gauntlets
All made with leather palms—Muskrat, dyed coney, nutria, beaver and raccoon ..... $1.75 to $9.00

Men's Fur Caps
Detroit and Motor styles in dyed coney—Natural muskrat and pieced seal ..... $3.50 to $5.00

Men's Coat Sweaters
Worsted or heavy wool, plain oxford, white and maroon—or oxford with colored borders .....$1.00, $1.50 to $5.00

PIANOS AT $250

ARE SUPERB INSTRUMENTS FOR CHRISTMAS



Those who are thinking of presenting a piano as a Christmas gift can make a splendid selection by choosing one of the celebrated pianos we offer you.

Every possible advantage as to terms will be granted purchasers. For a small payment down we will put the

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Those who buy pianos now for Christmas presents can leave same in our care and we will deliver them Christmas eve or Christmas morning as you prefer. We always have a few bargains in second hand uprights and squares.

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Best Pianos,
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OPEN EVERY EVENING TILL CHRISTMAS.

CONTEST OVER WILL

An Estate Valued at $1,049,000 is at Stake

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 22.—A contest over a will disposing of an estate appraised at $1,049,000 was begun in the Middlesex county court at East Cambridge today when Adeline McGee of Newton filed an appeal to the supreme court on the allowing of the will of the late Robert Boyd Wason of Cambridge, a grand uncle of the contestant. The will of Mr. Wason was allowed on Nov. 22 by Judge McIntire of the Middlesex county probate court. Under the will Miss McGee received no bequest. Miss McGee alleges in her appeal that the testator was of unsound mind, that there was fraud and undue influence on the part of the executors, George Wason of Cambridge and Robert S. Wason of Brookline, and that the contestant was not notified of the filing of the will until after it had been allowed.

BARACA CLASS MET

The L. A. N. Baraca class of the Fifth Street Baptist church met in its class room last evening and elected the following officers: Joseph C. Jasper, president, Grant A. Jasper, vice-president; Leroy F. Fuller, secretary; Geo. W. Lees, treasurer. An address was given by Rev. M. Carlson on "Life in the West." Refreshments were served.

OUR TOWN DRUGGISTS

say that Painkiller sells the best of any medicine they keep; during the hard times of the past year or two, there were none too poor to pay their "quarter" for a bottle of this indispensable family medicine. Be sure and get the genuine. 25c, 35c and 50c bottle.

ALDERMEN MET

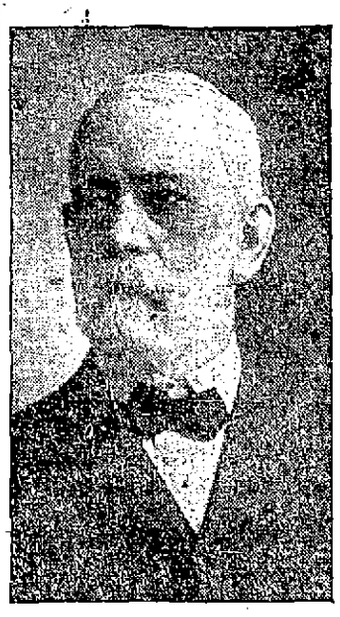
City Engineer Reports on Clark Road

ESTIMATES $3600 FOR DEFINING THE LINES

Thomas Walsh Confirmed as Library Trustee—Election Returns to Be Canvassed Thursday Night

The board of aldermen held a regular meeting last night. Chairman Gray called to order at 8.30 o'clock. A communication from the superior court, calling attention to the need of one grand juror from Lowell, was read.

The chair appointed Alderman Cheney to do the drawing, and Mr. Cheney drew the name, Francis D. Munn, Jr., 151 Eleventh street, grocer.



THOMAS WALSH
Reappointed Library Trustee

The reappointment of Thomas Walsh to the board of library trustees was confirmed.

The board refused to vote $1000 for the repair of sidewalks on the North common. This action was in non-concurrence with the common council.

A joint order, giving the city auditor authority to straighten out all department deficiencies by transferring money from the general treasury fund, was read and adopted.

Petitioners for sidewalks in Western avenue were given leave to withdraw on recommendation of the committee on streets.

Petitions for acceptance of streets and sidewalks were sent to the clerk's office for seven days.

Favorable action was taken on the petition of L. P. Turcotte for the acceptance of sidewalks in Riverside and Moody streets.

A resolution to give permission to Frank Ricard to maintain a cluster of lights in front of his store in Merrimack street, near Cabot, was adopted.

Clark Road Matter

A communication from Engineer Bowers relative to the Clark road was read. It was stated in the communication that the road was laid out by the town of Tewksbury in 1739, at which time it was two rods wide. It is 8400 feet long, and 3400 feet of the street is in Lowell. The engineer estimated the cost of defining lines at $3600. The board voted to have the lines defined.

On recommendation of the committee on lighting streets, leave to withdraw was given in petitions of Edw. Cawley, Joseph H. Muffett and Percy Parker.

An order was adopted providing for the following additional lights: Gas—Avon street in front of 161; Shaffer street in front of 9; Clitheroe street near Nesmith street; Merrill avenue in front of A. M. Creamer's lots; Arc—Lilley avenue, corner of Aiken avenue, also to move gas light in Everett street, to move gas light in front of St. Louis' convent, and to move gas light at West Sixth street and Lilley avenue.

The board adjourned to Thursday night, when the election returns will be formally canvassed.

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Goes on Sale Today at Half Price or Less

Upwards of 750 Pieces Attractively Boxed

Representing the entire sample Line of a large Boston manufacturer whose reputation for daintiness and exquisite taste as a maker of Women's Neckwear places him among the foremost manufacturers of this country concluded last Monday after a great deal of deliberation to sell us his entire sample line at a uniform discount of 50 per cent.

Now of course these goods have been used in his show room and by his men on the road for the taking of orders and some few pieces are somewhat soiled or roughed up from handling but the bulk look as clean and attractive as when turned out fresh and new from the factory.

The assortment contains styles that have sold from 25c to $1.50 each and the usual procedure with a purchase of his kind would be to hold it for a January Sale. But we decided to give Christmas buyers a chance at a bargain and we sorted them into three lots and will offer them today and every day until Christmas

At 15c, 25c and 50c Each

Extra tables have been placed for the display and sale of this lot and special salesgirls will be placed in charge of each table so as to make purchasing rapid and convenient.

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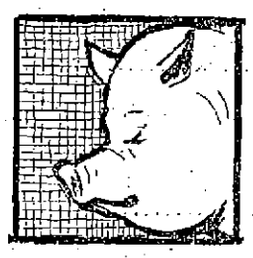

Flynn's Market

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YOUNG JOE FLYNN, Proprietor.

VERMONT TURKEYS	20c
CHICKENS	15c
GEESE	20c
FOWL	15c
NICE TENDER LAMB	9c
HEAVY WHITE VEAL	18c
FANCY LIGHT ROAST PORK	13c

Potatoes	16c pk.	Armour's Veribest Mince Meat	3 lbs. 25c
No. 1 Cranberries	5c lb.	10 lb. Pails	85c
Fancy Onions	16c pk.	Fancy Table Raisins	8c lb.
Large Rabbits	35c pr.	Seedless Raisins	7c pkg.
Christmas Candles	3 for 25c	Cleaned Currants	9c pkg.
English Walnuts	10c lb.	Boston Market Celery	10c
Mixed Nuts	2 lbs. for 25c	New Prunes	6 lbs. 25c
No. 1 Baldwin Apples	20c pk.	Large Sweet Oranges	15c doz.
Smoked Shoulders	12c lb.	Fresh Shoulders	12c
Ox Tails	8c		

BUTTERINE VERMONT BRAND

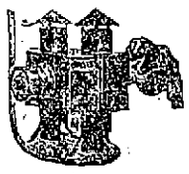
EXTRA .....25c lb. | CRESCENT ..... 15c lb. | 30 LB. TUBS ..... 12c lb.

ALL MEATS CUT TO ORDER. WE DELIVER GOODS IN FIRST CLASS ORDER.

POCKET KNIVES

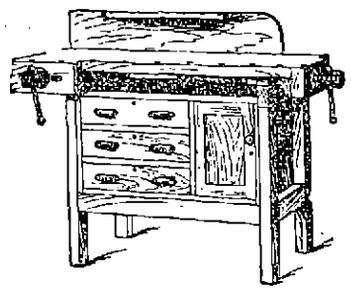
There is no better present than a good knife. It pleases everybody. Our line is beyond description. Elegant Pearl and Shell Handle Knives, Combination Knives, Boys' Knives with chain. Prices to suit any purse ..... 10c to $10.00

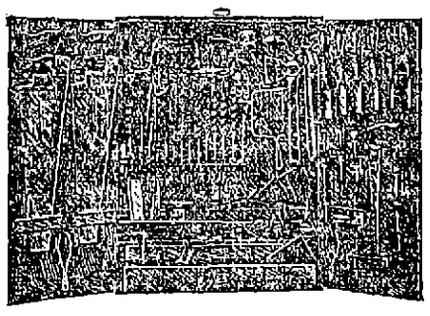
Mirrorscopes or Post Card Projectors



This is a most interesting instrument—better than a magic lantern for you can use any kind of picture. It shows upon a screen any postal you may have in all its colors. Prices .....$3.50 to $20.00

TOOL BENCHES AND CABINETS



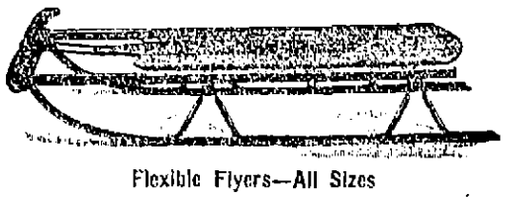


This will make a present worth while. Just the thing for man or boy. Prices..... $5 to $50

SKATES SKATES

Barney & Berry's—full line. Skating is popular and it is fine skating now.

SLEDS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS



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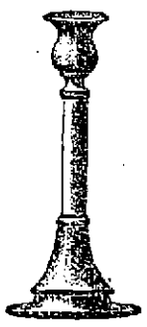

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Over 100 patterns to select from. Nothing better for a present.

We also have a full line of Shades and Cuirasses and Candles.

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BRASS TRAYS	BRASS JEWEL CASES
BRASS INK WELLS	BRASS FERN DISHES

BRASS CRAFTERS' OUTFIT

"Out of the Usual" Line

Hot Water Bottles—We have a full line of these in Nickel and Leather Covers—also cases for same. This is something every auto owner should have.

Pint Size $3.00, Quart Size $5.00

Baldwin Tumbler Holders, 2's, 4's, 6's.

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Anything needed in the Cutlery line we have. Scissors of every kind—Desk Scissors, Scissor Sets, Stork Scissors, Manicure Scissors, Manicure Sets, Grape and Flower Scissors.

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254-256 MERRIMACK STREET.

Open Every Evening Until Christmas

GILLETTE and GEM Safety Razors

$1.00 to $10.00

We also have all the other safety patterns and old style razors.

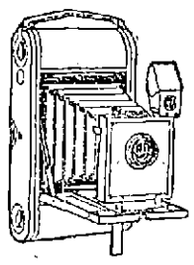
Christmas Popcorn, all shelled.....6c lb., 5 lbs, 25c

Try our new All Steel Popper.....25c

KODAKS

$1 to $35

Full line of Eastman's goods.



FIREPLACE GOODS

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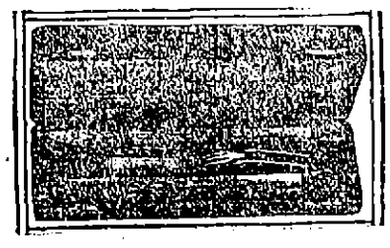

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DEAD ON FLOOR

Woman Stricken With Heart Disease

GOFFSTOWN, N. H., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Mary A. Hammond, residing at Grasmere, was found dead on the floor of her kitchen late last night. She was seen hanging out her clothes about 9.30 in the forenoon, and when found had a few pieces of starched clothes in her hand and had started for the door when she fell.

Mrs. Hammond was a native of Dunbarton, but had resided in Bow most of her married life. Her age was 68 years. She was married twice. Her first husband was Thomas Hammond. After his death she married his brother, John Hammond, who died about ten years ago. She had one son, William Hammond, a grocer at Grasmere.

About seven years ago Mrs. Hammond sold her farm and built a cottage next to her son's residence, where she had resided alone since. She is survived by one brother, William Haseltine of Dunbarton, and one sister, Mrs. Otis E. Whipple of this town.

HIS MONEY GONE

"Pop" Anson Reported to Be Penniless

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Captain A. C. Anson's personal and other assets were ordered sold by the court yesterday to satisfy creditors' claims against his former billiard business. The claims amount to $7000. Receiver Thompson said he had not collected a cent.

"We have not even money on hand to pay court costs," said Thompson.

The court directed that the personal assets of the estate be marshaled and sold at public auction.

Anson has lost all his real estate, and now, at 56, the one time batting hero of tthe National league is penniless. Lack of business ability overwhelmed Anson. His habits are good.

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SENSATIONAL RESCUES

Made at an Incendiary Fire in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Sensational rescues, a semi-panic in an adjoining hospital and operations of sneak thieves in nearby buildings, featured an incendiary fire in an East 33rd street apartment building today. Two men narrowly escaped death, one being swung across an airshaft dangling from a rope's end and another plunging through the glass of a closed window several feet away to escape incineration.

Fire, starting on the fourth floor, found oil-soaked woodwork to feed upon and the hallways were soon filled with smoke, cutting off escape by the ordinary exits. Most of the tenants were rescued by the fire escapes or by means of ladders and the firemen turned their attention to the airshafts. On the fourth floor Gustav Linneil, a draughtsman, was found by policemen, who made their way up through an adjoining house, clinging to a window sill backed by flames. He held on until firemen appeared on the roof with a rope which they lowered and directed the man to fasten about his body. He did so and high in the air was swung across the shaft into the arms of the waiting policemen.

Jerold Farrell was another man caught in a fifth floor room on the airshaft. Although the firemen shouted to him not to jump Farrell fearing he would be burned to death leaped across the airshaft to a closed window of the next building. His arms smashed in the glass and his body hung for a moment on the sill. Policemen appeared and dragged him in.

The Polyclinic hospital in the rear of the burning building was filled with smoke and the patients became alarmed. The entire force from the students' and nurses' home nearby had to be called to the scene to calm the fears of the excited inmates. Guests in the Delaware hotel at 34th street hurriedly packed their belongings but did not have to leave the building. Several flats in nearby houses which had been abandoned by their owners were found later to have been entered and ransacked by sneak thieves. The fire gutted the two upper floors of the apartment building but the damage is not heavy.

THE NOBLE WILL

Involving Estate Valued at $1,000,000 Was Allowed

TAUNTON, Dec. 22.—The contest over the will of Elizabeth F. Noble of Mansfield, involving an estate valued at nearly $1,000,000, and the bulk of which was given to humane societies and religious and charitable institutions, ended yesterday morning, so far as the probate court is concerned, when Judge Fuller allowed the will, but granted a motion of the contestants that a certificate be issued to the supreme judicial court for a jury trial.

The will was presented for probate by the executors, Robert Moore of New York city and Charles C. Hagerty of Mansfield, and after several days' hearing on its admission in November, a postponement was taken until yesterday.

A motion was filed in the meantime by the contestants' counsel, Thomas J. Boynton, Jennings, Morton & Brayton of Fall River and Clarence J. Shearn of New York, for a certificate for a jury trial to the supreme judicial court.

In his decree allowing the will Judge Fuller finds that it was legally executed, that Mrs. Noble was of sound mind when it was made, and that the petitioners, Moore and Hagerty, are competent persons to be appointed to the trust.

In the certificate for a jury trial, Judge Fuller notes that there was no question raised as to fraud or undue influence, but that the issue apparently was the testamentary capacity of Mrs. Noble.

Evidence of that nature has frequently been submitted to a jury, in his observation, and while he believed that a judge in such a case is a better tribunal than a jury he was of the opinion that the contestants' counsel may reasonably ask the supreme court to submit the case to a jury, and hence issued the certificate.

CODE QUESTIONS

Caused a Clash Among Women

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—What is the proper hour for a young man to leave when calling on a co-ed?

What details of chaperonage should woman-deans follow in piloting their girl charges through the social shoals?

What attitude shall the girls take toward students who drink and smoke in public places?

These and similar social code questions caused a clash in the fourth biennial conference of the deans of women's state universities yesterday. They were expected to close their meeting late in the afternoon, but the schism over the problems of social ethics caused an adjournment to today.

THE GRAND JURY

May Make Known Its Findings Today

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—When the Essex county grand jury met today it was expected that it would early make known its findings in the bathtub murder case, evidence concerning which was placed before it yesterday.

Although no indictments had been officially announced up to today, Prosecutor Mott appeared satisfied with the outcome of the proceedings in which he brought witnesses to show the alleged connection of Mrs. Caroline B. Martin, mother of the victim, and Mrs. Mary Snead and Miss Virginia Wardlaw, her aunts, with the mysterious death of Mrs. Ocey W. M. Snead in East Orange, N. J.

The next step of the New Jersey authorities following the finding of indictments will be an application to Gov. Fort of Trenton for requisition papers to have the two prisoners in this city taken to New Jersey for trial.

LAST CALL

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Men's Suits

Last chance to get in right on your clothing needs. Don't wait for the January sales. The prices can go no lower.

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CORSET STEEL

Saved the Life of Chicago Woman

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A corset steel probably saved the life of Miss Ethel Eitelhuber, when a shot was fired through a bedroom window of her home last evening in an attempt to kill her.

The shades were drawn, but as Miss Eitelhuber was standing near the window her shadow on the curtain gave the would-be murderer his mark. The bullet went through her dress, but when it struck the corset steel it glanced off.

PITCHER TORREY

MAY BE TRADED TO THE NEW YORK TEAM

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—That Pitcher Outfielder Torrey, who played last season with the Logan Squares of Chicago, will be traded to New York either for Second Baseman Herzog or Third Baseman Fletcher is intimated by Manager Griffith. He says a deal is pending between New York and Cincinnati, and that if it comes through he will get two players and give three. One of the men to be given is Torrey, he intimates, though he will not say definitely that the Chicago man is to go to New York. President Herrmann, however, says Brush and McGraw both want Torrey, and that he is trying to fix up a deal for his transfer.

See our $5.00 bag, sole leather, hand stitched. Others ask $7.50. Devine's, 124 Merrimack st.

LIVELY CONTESTS

For Officers of Y. M. C. I. Next Week

The regular weekly meeting of the Y. M. C. I. was held at the rooms in Stackpole street last evening, with a large attendance; President William King in the chair. Five new names were proposed and five members admitted. After the routine business of the meeting had been transacted, the chaplain, Rev. John P. O'Brien, gave a lengthy and interesting address.

WILLIAM KING
President

Great interest is being taken in the election of officers which will be held at the next meeting on next Tuesday evening. There are several spirited but friendly contests under way. The candidates for president are William King, the present incumbent, under whose administration the society has enjoyed a most flourishing term, and Vice President James V. Tully. There are four candidates for vice president, Frank McGlone, Frank Lang, John Cleary and George Clark.

Michael O'Keefe, the present financial secretary, is a candidate for re-election, while Peter Kearney is the candidate for recording secretary.

There are three hustling candidates for a position on the board of trustees, James Gilligan, Charles McCort and Patrick Farrell. For marshal, John Tansey and William Marren are the candidates.

On Christmas afternoon the annual Christmas tree will be held and a most interesting program will be carried out. The tree will be laden with appropriate gifts for the members from their friends which will be distributed during the afternoon. The members and their gentlemen friends are cordially invited to be present and encourage the committee which has worked hard to make the affair a grand success. The committee consists of James Gilligan, John Cleary, William Harrington and William O'Meara.

A LARGE SUM

WILL BE SPENT ON VESSELS OF THE NAVY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Exactly $42,430,476 will be spent on vessels of the navy now under construction during the fiscal years 1910 to 1913, inclusive, under the estimates submitted to congress by the navy department. Of this amount $30,532,564 will be for hulls and $11,897,913 for machinery. The total amount during the current fiscal year is estimated at $24,520,766; for 1911 it totals $13,375,220, for 1912 and 1913 it aggregates $4,534,501.

TUG PORTLAND FLOATED

YORK, Me., Dec. 22.—The tug Portland was brought into this harbor late last night after being floated at high tide by the tug M. Mitchell Davis of Portsmouth and the wrecking lighters Trilby and Charles Lawrence of Boston. The Portland struck on Stones rock just outside of Portsmouth on Dec. 10 and sank after being pulled off. It was planned to drag her high up on the beach here today to make temporary repairs. She is owned by the Central Wharf Towing Co. of Portland, Me.

A LONG RACE

Parents Cross Continent to See Son

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 22.—After a race across the continent, through blizzards that delayed them until it was almost too late, Horatio Walker, an artist of New York, and his wife arrived here yesterday as surgeons were placing their son, Horatio Walker, Jr., under the influence of an anaesthetic preparatory to an operation.

The young man, a physician of note, had been waiting eagerly to say goodbye to his father and mother, but despairing of seeing them gave the order for the surgeons to proceed. They arrived after he had been taken into the operating room and were granted ten minutes in which to see their son.

Dr. Walker survived the operation, but his condition is precarious today.

HE JUMPED BAIL

Boston Officers Lost Their Man

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Police headquarters was notified yesterday that Inspectors Rooney and Patterson, who left this city two weeks ago for the purpose of bringing to Boston Edward F. Gormley of Lynn, who was located in Seattle, Wash., will have to return without their man.

A year ago Gormeley was convicted of the larceny of $500 from Fred R. Day of North Barre, Vt., secured through an automobile sale, and was out on $2000 bail pending sentence. The bail was furnished by his wife, who lives at Lynn. It was through her efforts that Gormeley was located at Seattle. When it became known that he had quit the state an attachment was placed on her property and she at once began tracing him, finally succeeding in locating him in Seattle, where he was conducting a sales stable under the nam eof Bowen.

As soon as Mrs. Gormeley located her husband she telegraphed the Seattle police, informing them that he was wanted here. He was arrested and held in $1000 bail on a charge of being a fugitive from justice. Gormeley furnished the amount required and quietly sold his business and has not been seen or heard from since.

Gormeley formerly was well known in horse trading circles in Lynn.

NEW YORK SCHOOLS

HAVE TAKEN UP PHYSICAL TRAINING

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—For the first time in the history of elementary school education in New York physical training will be marked as any other subject in the higher schools, and the physical efficiency of the students will be one of the items determining graduation from the grade schools.

"If a child fails to receive a passing mark in physical training and hygiene," says Supt. Maxwell, in a statement, "it should be immediately returned to the school physician for examination and a special report of the case made. Similar standards should determine the progress of the child from grade to grade."

Commenting on the new requirement, Dr. C. Ward Crampton, director of physical training in the public schools, said:

"Too many immature weaklings are passed into the high school every year, only to find that the work is too severe for them, and the great high school mortality is found to be due to a lack of vigor of this class of students. Under the new requirements this will be avoided."

Toilet sets put up in leather cases. Devine's, 124 Merrimack st.

NORTH BILLERICA

Special services will be held at St. Anne's Mission Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Mr. E. A. Paul of Cambridge will officiate and Christmas carols will be sung. At the conclusion of the services Christmas tree exercises will be held. Presents will be distributed to the children.

Similar exercises will be held at the North Billerica Baptist church on Friday night.

ADMIRAL MASON

Wants a Magazine at Guantanamo

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Chasing revolutionists with Guantanamo as a base, figures in the report of the recent hearing of Rear Admiral N. E. Mason, chief of the naval bureau of ordnance, before the house naval affairs committee. Admiral Mason was explaining his estimates for a naval magazine at the Guantanamo naval station.

"We do not need the magazine there absolutely," he admitted in recognition of the general policy of pruning government expenses.

"Do the ships get down there?" asked Chairman Foss of the committee.

"They are down there every winter," replied the admiral. "And the gunboats that are chasing the revolutionists are down there all the time and their ammunition is landed and they put it under canvas.

"It is a little rough on the powder."

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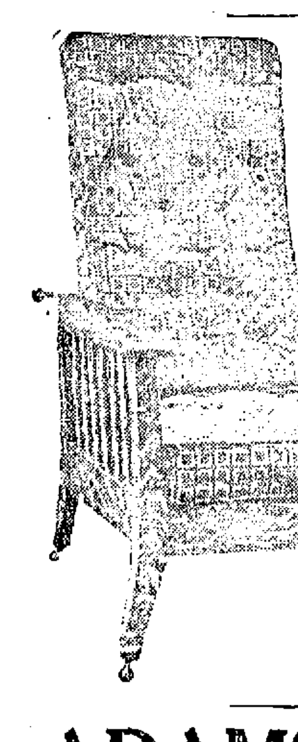

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Jello, All Flavors	6c pkg.
Best Canned Raspberries	12c
Best Canned Strawberries	8c

DR. COOK'S PERFIDY

Has Caused Humiliation to Copenhagen and Minister Egan

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 22.—The morning papers generally find comfort for the Cook affair in the thought that the only fault that may be charged against the Danes is that they accepted the explorer's word as that of a gentleman.

The Politiken says:

"Frankly, we regret only that an honorary degree was bestowed upon this man by the university of Copenhagen. But one member of the university council advised against the action taken."

The Kochenhavn says:

"Cook's abasing of the university is his greatest shame. Fortunately the university itself tells the world of its mistake."

Other papers recall that all the Scandinavian explorers who were acquainted with Cook supported him and insist that under the circumstances any other city would have given the explorer a similar reception. They intimate that at the time other cities envied Copenhagen its opportunity to first welcome and honor him.

MINISTER EGAN'S REGRET

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—"The ladies of Denmark will never believe that Dr. Cook was wrong and my daughter, who is with me, will weep when she hears the report," said Dr. Maurice Francis Egan, American minister to Denmark whom the Danes now partly blame for his strong partisanship of Dr. Cook which led them to recognize the American explorer on his arrival in Copenhagen as the discoverer of the North pole.

Dr. Egan reached here today on the steamship Oscar II and will remain during the holidays.

Minister Egan talked freely regarding his own part in the enthusiastic reception of Dr. Cook at Copenhagen which led to the acclaim of Dr. Cook as a hero all over the civilized world.

"What I did for Dr. Cook," said the minister, "I don't believe influenced the Danes appreciably in their reception of the explorer. Cook reached Copenhagen with a story of polar conquest which there was then no reason to doubt. Danish explorers vouched for Cook's standing in the world of discovery and received him with open arms.

"I myself welcomed him, not only as an American seeking civilization after harrowing experiences and needing assistance, but as a citizen who from his own undisputed story had accomplished a great task.

"Officially I did practically nothing for Cook, but to supply him with clothing and give him a small reception which newspapermen attended. His presentation to the king came about as a result of the crown prince's desire to meet the explorer.

"The Danes, I believe, have no disposition to consider Dr. Cook as the representative of a characteristic American type."

Reverting to the decision of the university of Copenhagen against Cook, Minister Egan said that the finding of that institution was of course final unless the matter should be reopened by the presentation of the material said to have been left by the explorer at Etah.

"The Danes" said he, "are the most competent judges in such matters and I am forced to accept their opinion. I can't, however, bring myself to believe that Cook deliberately set out to deceive the world. I still believe that Cook is an honest man who believed that he had accomplished what he claimed and must have been mistaken through lack of scientific knowledge."

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APOTHECARIES

RUNAWAY HORSES

Were Stopped by Wm. D. Whittet

William D. Whittet, the florist, stopped a pair of runaway horses in Church street, near the railroad crossing yesterday afternoon about 4.30 o'clock. His timely action probably saved the lives of several children who were in the path of the animals.

The horses had been left standing near the corner of Church and Lawrence streets for some time and growing restless they started to stamp their feet and shake their heads. In so doing they pulled the end of the reins from the seat and as the reins fell on their backs they started to run down the street. One side of the street had a thin coating of ice and a number of children were skating.

Mr. Whittet, who was passing at the time, saw the danger that the children were in and rushing into the street succeeded in stopping the horses before they reached the young ones.

150 MEN IDLE

Fire in Shipbuilding Plant

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Fire this morning destroyed a block and a half of the large shipbuilding plant of T. S. Marvel Co., including the engine and boiler house, the iron-forming department, moulding room and saw mill. The loss will aggregate about $75,000. About 150 men are thrown out of work.

OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

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WHITE NEGLIGEE SHIRTS, cuffs on or off, plain or plaited fronts at $1.00, $1.50 each

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LARGE SQUARE MUFFLERS, in white or black, rich embroidered patterns. 50c to $3.00 each

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Thursday Bargain Day

We think it of more advantage to you and also ourselves to mark our stocks down now, when you need them most, and when you will appreciate the savings more than if we wait until January.

Some quantities are large, some are small, but come Thursday morning for the best choosing. It isn't necessary to know the size, we will make any exchange or refund the money after Christmas.

Tea aprons of plain dotted or cross-bar muslin, ruffle of pretty embroidery or lace, some with ribbon bows at the pocket, styles we have sold for 29c and 39c, all now reduced to 25c

Tea aprons of dotted muslin, ruffle or embroidery or lace insertions with edge, pocket and long strings. Styles we have always sold for 69c, all now reduced to..... 50c

Hand embroidered tailored Irish linen waists, new styles which we have been selling for $2.97, $3.50, $3.97, $4.50, all now reduced to $2.50

Lingerie, lace, messaline an dtaffeta silk waists, all new styles which we have been selling for $5.00, all now reduced to $3.97

Lingerie, lace, messaline and taffeta waists, your choice of any of our regular $3.97 waists, now reduced to.... $2.97

Lingerie and taffeta silk waists, styles which we have sold for $2.97 and $3.50, button front or back. A few short sleeve waists in the lot, now reduced to..... $2.50

Lingerie and all wool waists, some styles that sold for $2.97, all now reduced to $1.50

Tailored waists of pure Irish linen, none sold for less than $1.97, all now reduced to..... $1.25

Lingerie and tailored waists, white and colors, some of them were $1.97, now reduced to 97c

Petticoats of fine taffeta silk, blacks and colors, some with all silk dust ruffle. An unusually large assortment of styles. Every petticoat worth $5, now reduced to $3.97

Black and colored silk petticoats, about 15 different shades, they are regular $3.98 petticoats, but by taking a large quantity for our three stores, we are going to offer you a bargain at $2.97

Double mercerized permanent finish sateen, genuine Heatherbloom and gloria petticoats, formerly priced $2.50 and $2.97, now reduced to $1.97

Chemise, nowns and combinations and petticoats, daintily trimmed with lace and embroidery or pretty combinations of both, formerly priced $2.50 and $2.97, now reduced to $1.97

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$5.00 will be paid to any who will show us any misstatement or exaggeration in any of our advertisements.

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It isn't necessary to know the size, we will exchange any garment or refund the money on any purchase.

THRIFTY PEOPLE

No Destitution Among Portuguese Colony

"Are there many poor people among the Portuguese of Lowell?" was asked of Rev. Fr. Rosa, pastor of St. Anthony's church, this morning.

"My dear friend, we're all poor," promptly answered the zealous pastor of the Portuguese Catholics of this city.

"The Portuguese people," continued Fr. Rosa, "are an industrious, thrifty, sober and intelligent lot. They are not endowed with much of the world's goods, but they are hard workers and make every dollar count. There are no well-to-do Portuguese in Lowell and I believe there are no destitute families in the parish. If there are, we'll attend to their wants at once."

Christmas is observed by the Portuguese as by the Catholics of other nationalities, with religious services of exceptional beauty and by feasting at the homes, the giving of presents, etc. The Portuguese claim as close kinship to old Santa Claus as do the other races, and Christmas trees and stockings by the fireside will be found in their homes when the great holiday arrives.

WOOD'S EMPORIUM

OF JEWELRY AND SUITABLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

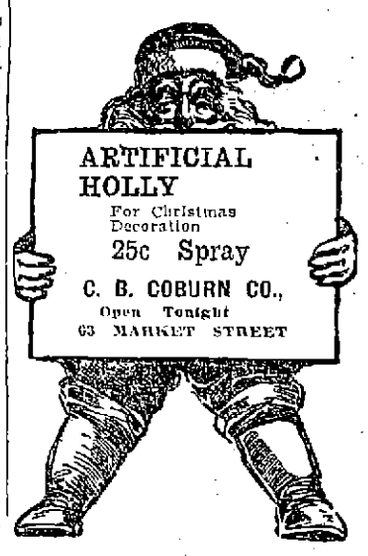
"What shall I give them?" This is a question that at this time is predominant in the minds of the people. It is one thing to think of giving and another, to think of what would be suitable to the person. The majority of times the giver thinks of a piece of jewelry, but there are different kinds of jewelry, and it would not be just the proper thing to give a friend a gift that in a few months would be worthless and would not add to the esteem that the person would have for you. Therefore, if you are considering giving a piece of gold or silver as a present this year, why not visit the store of Millard F. Wood, (the Merrimack street jeweler and make your selection from a stock, comprising the latest novelties from the various marts, gold and silver ware of the highest standard of excellence, cut glass, that for quality and prices cannot be outdone by any dealer north of Boston, and the most satisfactory part of trading at this store is the guarantee of the owner that is given with every piece of stock sold. The store is adequately clerked, having in all 17 attendants, whose suggestions are unlimited.

Call in and approach a clerk for a suggestion. It costs nothing.

A special offering of diamonds for the remaining days from $22.50 to $50. The diamonds will set according to the wishes of the buyer, setters of experience will set the stones while you are waiting.

The advertisement of the store appears in another column and several appropriate gifts are mentioned. Why not consult it before shopping and make yourself acquainted with the stock that this store carries.

The store is numbered 104 Merrimack street and faces John street.



Premium Grocery Co.
405 CENTRAL ST., CORNER CHARLES ST.
Free Delivery Telephone 2609

Finest Groceries at the Lowest Possible Prices

Sweet Florida Oranges 15c Doz.

Specials For Xmas Week

FIGS 15c Lb.

Potatoes ..... 14c pk.
Onions, large and fancy ..... 20c pk.
Cabbage ..... 1c lb.
York State Pea Beans ..... 8c qt.
Cranberries ..... 5c qt.
Citron ..... 15c lb.
Orange Peel ..... 15c lb.
Lemon Peel ..... 15c lb.
Spanish Olives, stuffed ..... 10c and 25c jar
New Mixed Nuts ..... 15c lb.
Fancy Seeded Raisins ..... 8c pkg.
Currants ..... 9c pkg.
New Dates ..... 8c lb.

CANNED GOODS

Finest Tomatoes Packed ..... 8c can
Corn ..... 8c can
Peas ..... 9c can
Salmon ..... 9c can
Karo Corn Syrup ..... 9c can
Sardines ..... 4c can

Prunes ..... 5c lb.
Rice ..... 4c lb.
Pearl Barley ..... 4c lb.
Pearl Tapioca ..... 5c lb.
Corn Starch ..... 5c pkg.
Rolled Oats, New ..... 3 1-2c pkg.
Corn Meal ..... 3c pkg.
Macaroni ..... 8c pkg.
Spaghetti ..... 8c pkg.
Stickney and Poor Pepper, 1-4 lb. pkg ..... 5c pkg.
Fine Table Salt ..... 4c bag
Fine Bread Flour, warranted ..... 85c bag
$6.75 Bbl.

BUTTER, EGGS, TEAS and COFFEES

Fine Creamery Butter ..... 33c lb.
Full Cream Cheese ..... 20c lb.
Fresh Select Eggs ..... 27c doz.
Fine Blended Teas ..... 18c, 25c and 38c lb.
Fresh Roasted Coffee ..... 16c, 20c and 25c lb.
Fancy and Mixed Cookies ..... 3 lbs. for 25c

Leave Your Orders With Us. Free Delivery to All Parts of City.
OPEN EVENINGS. OPEN EVENINGS.

A TRAGIC DEATH

Bedford, N. H., Man's Body Found at Red Cliff, Col.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 22.—A tragic death was apparently the fate of Melvin Kilton a prominent resident of Bedford, who disappeared in November. Today a despatch was received from Coroner Gilpin of Red Cliff, Colo. stating that Kilton's body had been found at that place. It is supposed that the man met a violent end. Kilton left home on Novembe 3 for the purpose of visiting friends in San Francisco and elsewhere on the Pacific coast. When he failed to arrive at his destination his relatives in Bedford were notified. As time went on and no message came from Kilton his relatives engaged detectives to investigate the case.

Red Cliff is the county seat of Eagle county and is on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, 20 miles north of Leadville.

PLEADED GUILTY

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—Charles L. Warriner, deposed local treasurer of the Big Four railroad, pleaded guilty to embezzlement and was sentenced in the common pleas court today to serve six years in the Ohio penitentiary.

WANTS 10,000 MEN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—"I want to get 10,000 men for the naval militia as well trained as any and in good physical condition so that we can call upon them and put them in the service of the navy immediately in case war breaks out, not as organizations, but as individuals."

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Winthrop made this statement at a hearing before the house committee on naval affairs. "The naval militia," he added, "are getting up a hill which I am working over, to bring them into closer relationship with the navy department than heretofore and to insure that they will be thoroughly equipped and well trained."

WANT NATIONAL PARK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—In the report of the committee of landscape architects recommending the creation of a national park at Niagara Falls which was transmitted to congress yesterday with the favorable endorsement of Secretary of War Dickinson, much detail concerning the committee's plan is given.

The committee urges that a strip of property be acquired by the United States connecting with the state reservation at one end and extending the whole length of the gorge, embracing the Talus, the cliff and a tract of land not less than one hundred yards wide to be converted into a national reservation. By additional legislation and agreements with the Canadian government the diversion of water for power purposes should, in the opinion of the committee, be kept in such limits that the impressiveness of the cataract shall not be diminished. Concurring with the recommendations for a reservation, Secretary Dickinson leaves the question of its general scope and the acquisition of land to the judgment and liberality of congress.

"It will be generally conceded," says the secretary, "that the preservation of the scenic features of this great waterfall is an object which appeals with peculiar force to the American people and the object can best be attained by the acquisition of such lands on the American side of the river as are necessary to the establishment of such a national park."

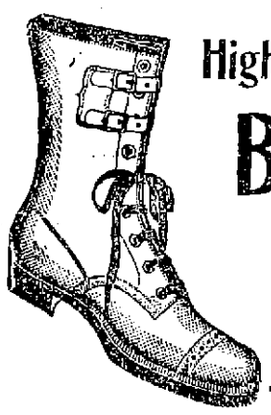
LIQUOR SEIZED

COLUMBUS, Ga., Dec. 22.—The biggest raid here of the entire year, measured in results, took place yesterday afternoon, when Sheriff Bard and his deputies, armed with warrants sworn out by Solicitor-General Palmer, entered a store on Triangle street, in the business section and captured three barrels of whiskey on tap, six full barrels, 17 cases, 100 pints and three gallon jugs of whiskey.

The proprietor, H. L. Richards, of Girard, Ala., was arrested on the charge of violating the prohibition law and gave bond in the sum of $2000. The whiskey confiscated aggregated about 150 gallons.

O'Sullivan Bros. Co.

The Store Where People Find What They Want.



High Cut Storm BOOTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Young ladies and young men delight to wear them. We have these Boots in tan with two buckles and straps—and in black from 11 to 5 1-2, $1.50 and $2.00.

Remember the Boys and Girls for Christmas—These Will Please Either.

O'Sullivan Bros. Co.

The Big Shoe House of Lowell.

OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

Boston Cloak and Suit Store

Originators of Good Clothes For Little Money

228 Merrimack Street Sign of the Bear

Thousands of Dollars of Dependable Furs at

PRICES THAT TALK

We manufacture our own Furs and sell them to you direct at Wholesale Prices.

$10 Black Coney Sets	$3.98	$18 Marmot Sets	$12.50
$18 Black Coney Sets	$10.50	$15 Gray Squirrel Sets	$9.75
$50 Mink Sets, large Shawl and Rug Muff	$29.50	$35 White Polar Sets	$22.00
$20 Mink Scarfs	$12.50	$25 Jap Mink Sets	$18.75
$5 Opossum Scarfs and Muffs	$1.98	$27.50 Fox Sets	$14.50
$10 Opossum Muffs	$4.75	Children's Sets	89c to $10.00
$50 Black Fox Sets	$35.00	French Coney Coats	$22.00
$110 Mink Sets	$75.00	Marmot Coats	$42.75
$175 Mink Sets	$125.00	Caracul Fur Coats	$34.50
$35 New Lynx Sets, large Muff and Shawl	$18.50	Russian Pony Coats	$29.00
$18 Black Hungarian Fox Muff	$10.75	50 Inch Near Seal Coats	$65.00
$25 Persian Paw Sets	$12.50	River Mink Coats	$62.50
		Siberian Squirrel Coats	$79.00

CLOTH COATS AND SUITS AT CUT PRICES

CHILDREN'S COATS AT $1.98, $2.75, $3.50 to $15

Waists, 49c, 98c, $1.25, $1.49, $1.75, $2 to $12.50

OPEN EACH EVENING UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

MR. SMOKER Thursday and Friday

FREE

12 "El Pristino" Ten Cent Cigars

With each 13 purchased at the regular price, $1.30.

THREE GOOD Combinations ALSO

HALL & LYON CO OF NEW ENGLAND APOTHECARIES

HE GETS $35,000

Fortune is Left to a Cobbler

WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—Cyrus E. Coburn, 69, came into possession yesterday of a fortune of $35,000, which has been through the hands of three persons within the past three months. Coburn, who is a cobbler, and still works in a little shop of his own, says the money will make no difference in his way of living, as he is not a spendthrift and intends to keep on living a simple life.

Last February the money was willed to Mrs. George H. Coburn by her mother. Mrs. Coburn died soon after, leaving the fortune to her husband, who in turn died suddenly Dec. 6. The fortune is principally in personal property.

BRUTAL MURDER

Night Operator Was the Victim

NORTH BAY, Ont., Dec. 22.—W. J. Dyson, night operator at Red Water, a flag station on the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario railway, fifty miles north of here, was brutally murdered last night. A man entered the station and became boisterous. Dyson was struggling with him when another rushed in and struck Dyson with a club, crushing his head. He lived only a short time. The murderer escaped into the bush.

SHOT BY FATHER

Boy Was Victim of an Accident

GREAT BARRINGTON, Dec. 22.—Kenneth Boice, the 15-year-old son of Frank Boice of North Egremont, was accidentally shot by his father yesterday afternoon and died soon after.

The boy was assisting his father in killing a beef. A rifle, which was to be used in killing the animal, went off prematurely in the hands of his father.

The boy's lung was penetrated and death soon resulted. Frank Boice is a well-known meat dealer of North Egremont and the son was a pupil at the Searles high school.

CITY MARSHAL OUT

BROCKTON, Dec. 22.—City Marshal Ira L. Kingman, rather than hold his office to embarrass Mayor-elect Clifford, resigned last night, and the resignation was accepted by Mayor Kent and the board of aldermen. It is understood that the aldermen, of whom a majority were republicans, had planned to refuse confirmation to any appointee to the office by the new mayor, who is a democrat, and thus leave Marshal Kingman indefinitely in the place he has held for four years.

JEFFRIES-JOHNSON BOUT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Jack Gleason, who is associated with Tex Rickard in the promotion of the Jeffries-Johnson fight, says that he does not think there is any chance that the big fight will be held in Salt Lake City and that he is willing to wager $5000 to that effect. Gleason argues that there is no possible show of getting positive assurance that the authorities will offer no interference and unless such assurance is received there is too much at stake to risk having the bout prevented at the last minute. He made the statement in response to one given out by Rickard, who seems to feel sure the fight will be staged in the Utah city.

CHESTER B. WILLIAMS

Chosen County Commissioner at Winchester Today

Chester B. Williams of Wayland, Mass., has been appointed county commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Samuel O. Upham. Mr. Williams will take office on the first Wednesday in January, 1910, to remain until his successor, to be chosen at the next state election, shall qualify, according to law.

To fill the vacancy from the present time until Mr. Williams takes office, Geo. A. Patch of Littleton was chosen. Mr. Patch is therefore at present an associate county commissioner and he will be a past commissioner after Mr. Williams relieves him of the cares of office.

The election to the vacancy took place at Winchester today, when a meeting of the commission was held, Chairman Levi F. Gould presiding.

Mr. Williams studied law but is at present engaged in mercantile pursuits.

STEAMER IS SAFE

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 22.—The steamer Berwind arrived safely in port today. She had been missing since Wednesday morning of last week, coming in easy stages to Duluth. Much concern had been felt as to her safety.

Lowell, Wednesday, December 22, 1909

A. G. Pollard Co.

Lowell's Biggest and Best Christmas Store

THREE DAYS ONLY LEFT—And so much shopping to be crowded into them. **You can shop with more comfort and to your advantage at this store, for most departments have even now a big assortment.** We feel that we must be pleasing you, for there never was a Christmas season when you accorded us so much business and never so few complaints. The busiest days are ahead of us but with your help and that of the weather man we'll have every Santa Claus in this section ready for his trip by Christmas eve. The Toys have been reduced in price and from now on you can save a third. See other adv. on page 5.

THE BOOK STORE

Makes this announcement concerning the great sale of Editions de Luxe. The following sets were in stock last night at closing time: We cannot order any more at these prices, in fact we shall not have any for sale after January first.

2 Ainsworth, 8 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	4 Muhlbach, 18 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$18.50
5 Burns, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	8 Poe, 10 vols., cloth, only	$9.00
4 Balzac, 18 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$18.50	8 Poe, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.00
5 Dante, H. W. L., 4 vols., cloth, only	$2.95	4 Plato, 3 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$3.90
3 Dante, H. W. L., 4 vols., lea., only	$6.25	3 Pepys' Diary, 4 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$6.25
3 De Maupassant, 10 vols., cloth, only	$7.50	5 Rawlinson, 5 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$6.25
1 De Maupassant, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$11.25	6 Smollett, 6 vols., cloth, only	$5.50
3 De Musset, 10 vols., cloth, only	$9.00	3 Smollett, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$7.50
2 De Musset, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.25	2 Scott, 24 vols., cloth, only	$17.50
2 Dickens, 20 vols., cloth, only	$14.75	3 Scott, 24 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$24.50
5 Dickens, 20 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$22.50	1 Shakespeare, 20 vols., S. S., only	$14.50
4 Dumas, 18 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$19.50	4 Shakespeare, 20 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$22.50
2 Emerson, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$6.00	1 Shakespeare, 20 vols., full lea., only	$29.50
2 Eliot, 8 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	11 Shakespeare, 10 vols., cloth, only	$8.75
2 Fielding, 6 vols., cloth, only	$5.50	7 Shakespeare, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.00
3 Fielding, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$7.50	6 Stevenson, 10 vols., cloth, only	$7.50
4 Gibbon, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$7.50	5 Stevenson, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$9.50
2 Guizot's Fr., 8 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	2 Sterne, 6 vols., cloth, only	$6.50
4 Hawthorne, 9 vols., cloth, only	$6.25	4 Sterne, 6 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.25
7 Hawthorne, 9 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	4 Thackeray, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.50
3 Hugo, 10 vols., cloth, only	$7.50	3 Taine's Eng. Lit., 4 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$5.50
2 Hugo, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$10.50	4 Wilde, 10 vols., cloth, only	$7.75
3 Irving, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$11.75	3 Wilde, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$11.25
2 Kipling, 10 vols., cloth, only	$6.25	8 Addison, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
2 Kipling, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.75	7 Aurelius, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
2 Kingsley, 7 vols., cloth, only	$6.50	6 Bacon, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
3 Kingsley, 7 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$7.75	8 Chesterfield, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
4 Longfellow, 10 vols., cloth, only	$8.75	9 Epictetus, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
7 Longfellow, 10 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$12.00	5 Franklin, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
5 Longfellow, 10 vols., full lea., only	$18.50	5 Lincoln, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25
3 Lamb, 8 vols., 3-4 lea., only	$8.25	5 Webster, 1 vol., 3-4 lea., only	$1.25

Palmer Street Centre Aisle

Gifts for Men

Furnishings first always. That's why we prepare so extensively with stocks and with salespeople. Here's the biggest stock of gift togs to be found in Lowell. Exclusive styles from the very best makers:

HOSIERY	MUFFLERS
SUSPENDERS	NECKTIES
GARTERS	SHIRTS
SWEATERS	GLOVES
UNDERWEAR	PROTECTORS
STICK PINS	CUFF LINKS
BATH ROBES	HOUSE COATS

ETC., ETC.

And in this one department we've twenty bright young men to serve you.

EAST SECTION LEFT AISLE

Ladies' Gift Gloves

A stock nearly double the usual size is what counts in the long run of Christmas selling. While we prepared for a bigger-than-ever business this season, it's quite remarkable the way the assortment holds out. We've still all styles and shades in the popular prices,

$1, $1.25, $1.50, and $2

Each Pair in a Pretty, Appropriate Xmas Box.

WEST SECTION NORTH AISLE

A WAIST PATTERN Properly Boxed

We can Offer You the Following Special Values, But Don't Wait Till Friday

AT 43c PER PATTERN—Special values at this price in fancy White Goods and Fancy Colored Poplins, full 3½ yards in each box for 43c

AT 59c PER PATTERN—White Mercerized Novelties. Handsome designs, variety of patterns, full 3½ yards in each box, for 59c

AT 69c PER PATTERN—Regular 25c values in Mercerized Brilliants, cheviots, etc.; all white goods, full 3½ yards in each box, for 69c

AT 75c PER PATTERN—At this price we are offering some of the best values of the entire lot. All colored goods, plain colors and white and colored stripes, including mercerized suiting, linen, etc.; 25c to 42c goods; full 3½ yards in each box, for 75c

AT 89c PER PATTERN—25 different designs to select from; all highly mercerized and permanent finish; fancy jacquards, French brilliants, fancy piques, regular 29c values; full 3½ yards in each box, for 89c

ALSO 100 FANCY EMBROIDERED WAIST PATTERNS—In white, pink, blues, gray and brown; pongee, silk embroidered fronts, collars and cuffs; regular price $1.50; special price 89c

AT $1.00 PER PATTERN—Imported jacquards, poplins, German and English mercerized fancies, latest novelties in white waistings; regular price 35c yard; full 3½ yards in each box, for $1.00

AT $1.25 PER PATTERN—Fine imported silk and cotton novelties, white and colors, including the newest fabrics; regular 50c values; full 3½ yards in each box, for $1.25

HAND EMBROIDERED LINEN WAIST PATTERNS—We have been fortunate enough to be able to secure about 100 real Irish hand embroidered linen waist patterns in handsome new designs, neatly put up in boxes. Prices ranging from $2.49 to $10 Regular value from $4 to $15.

PALMER STREET CENTRE AISLE

ADMIRING WOMEN

Laud the Praises of Madame Yale

Notwithstanding the excitement of Christmas shopping, the women are still talking of Mme. Yale's talk at the Opera House on Monday afternoon, and there's a great hanging on of women around Dows' drug store since that time, seeking for a personal interview with this world famous expert on feminine grace and beauty, who was brought here by Mr. Dows. The latter is the sole agent for Mme. Yale's beauty preparation, and hence the crowd at the store.

Madame Yale's gowns are magnificent, and she is a superb example of what physical culture can do in the way of keeping a woman young. Her figure is rounded like a child's, and she is all suppleness and grace. She made three changes in costume, showing four beautiful gowns.

After her change of costume, with each of which she spoke most interestingly of the moral side of physical beauty, calisthenics and the poetry of motion, she commended the enterprising spirit of the Dows' Drug company, in making it possible for her to visit Lowell and to put her specialties on sale here. After the lecture there was a grand rush for the drug store, where there was a special sale of the preparations. One of her experienced demonstrators is at the store, and can tell the ladies all about the goods.

Seeing Madame Yale upon the platform it is difficult to realize that she has been before the public thirty years, demonstrating the art of keeping young and beautiful. Her beauty and grace might well be envied by many a young girl of 18.

DEATHS

TIBBETTS—Mr. Marston Tibbetts, a brother-in-law of H. F. Whiting of this city, died in Seattle, Wash., Dec. 20.

SULLIVAN—John Sullivan, formerly a resident of Springfield, but of recent years a resident of this city, died yesterday at the City hospital, aged 60 years. The body was removed to the funeral chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

CATTERALL—Catherine B. Catterall, infant daughter of John and Mary Catterall, died yesterday at the home of her parents, 9 Coburn street, aged 24 days.

HIGSON—Marion Higson, infant daughter of Wm. D. and Harriet Higson, died last night at the home of her parents, 2 rear of 36 Agawam street, aged 4 months and 21 days.

HOUGH—Mrs. Charlotte R. Hough, wife of Frank B. Hough, died at her home in Centre street, Chelmsford Centre, last night, at the age of 44 years, 8 months and 6 days.

SMITH—Mrs. Carrie L. Smith, beloved wife of Wm. L. Smith of 325 Wentworth avenue, died yesterday afternoon at the Lowell General hospital, after a short illness. Her age was 43 years, 5 months and 16 days. She was born in Carlisle, but had been a resident of this city for the past 20 years. Her lovable character and kindly ways make her death severely felt by her relatives and many friends. She leaves besides her husband, one son, Edwin L., her father, Mr. Marshal Lee of this city, and two brothers, Mr. Wm. M. and Mr. Ernest H. Lee of Clinton, Mass.

BURNS—Patrick J. Burns died last evening at his residence, 145 Andover street, aged 45 years. He leaves one brother, William, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and one sister, Mrs. Nellie Goff, of Springfield, Mass. Springfield, Lawrence, Mass., and Lewiston, Me., papers please copy.

The remains were removed to Undertaker Finnegan's funeral parlors, 131 East Merrimack street.

VALLERAND—Joseph Vallerand, of 252 Fletcher street, who fell down the steps of his boarding-house last Saturday noon, died early yesterday morning at St. John's hospital, where he had been removed in the ambulance. Mr. Vallerand, who was 33 years old, had suffered from epileptic fits, and it is believed that his death was due to these rather than to the effects of the fall. It is believed that he was in a fit when he fell. He remained unconscious for a long time after being taken to the hospital, though his injuries from the fall were slight, as far as could be seen. He was bruised near one eye, and his mouth was also torn.

The body was removed by Undertaker Joseph Albert to his establishment in Cheever street pending an examination by Medical Examiner Melgs.

CAREY—Mr. William Carey, an old resident of Lowell, died last night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Whalen, No. 89 Ward street, Worcester, Mass. He is survived by three sons, Thomas F. and William, Jr., of this city, and James of Roxbury, Mass.; three daughters, Miss Mary Carey and Mrs. Thos. Leary of Lowell and Mrs. William Whalen of Worcester, Mass.; three sisters, Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Patrick Finnerty and Mrs. John Morgan, all of Lowell. The remains were brought to Lowell and taken to his late home, No. 7 Cady street, by Funeral Director James W. McKenna.

DUFFY—Gertrude Duffy, aged two months, daughter of James and Bridget, died this morning at the home of her parents, 7 Farnham street.

DEVINE—Mrs. Ann Devine, one of the oldest residents of Lowell and a most respected member of St. Peter's parish, died this morning at her home, 61 Chapel street. She is survived by her husband, Philip, one son, John J. Devine, the well known lawyer associated with Nathan D. Pratt, and two daughters, Misses Kathrine and Annie Devine.

FUNERALS

KANE—The funeral of Joseph Kane, infant son of Patrick and Sarah Kane, took place yesterday afternoon from the home of his parents, 17 Willie avenue. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, under direction of Thomas A. Saunders.

CRAVEN—The funeral of the late Owen Craven took place yesterday morning from the home of his sister, Mrs. John Conneran, 1325 Mammoth road, and was largely attended. At 9 o'clock a funeral mass was sung in St. Mary's church at Collinsville by the Rev. Thomas A. Walsh. The church was filled with friends of the deceased, who had been a familiar figure in the neighborhood for the past 25 years, and for whose soul a funeral mass was for the first time sung in this church. The choir under the direction of Miss Susan Finlan rendered the Gregorian chant. Miss Margaret Kennedy singing the "O Mentum Passionis" at the offertory. At the conclusion "In Paradidium" was rendered by the choir. The bearers were John Conneran, Patrick Silk, Henry Burke and John Carrick. The burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, Amesbury, Mass. The funeral was under the direction of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

FUNERAL NOTICES

SMITH—Entered into rest, in this city at the Lowell General hospital, Dec. 21, Carrie L., beloved wife of William L. Smith, aged 43 years, 5 months and 16 days. Funeral services will be held from her late home, 325 Wentworth avenue Thursday afternoon at 12.30 o'clock. Friends respectfully invited. Wm. H. Saunders, undertaker in charge.

BURNS—The funeral of the late Peter Burns will take place Friday morning from his late home, 23 State street, at 8.15 o'clock and there will be a solemn high mass of requiem at the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock. Funeral Director James W. McKenna in charge.

MRS. FERNANDEZ

WOMAN THEATRICAL BROKER IS DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Emilie L. Fernandez, who brought many theatrical stars of the present day into prominence, and who was one of the best known American theatrical brokers in the country, died of Bright's disease yesterday at her home in the Windsor apartments.

She was the wife of Edward Price, but the stage world knew her best as Mrs. Fernandez. She was a woman of the sharpest business instinct, with an unerring faculty for discovering talent and bringing it to the attention of managers. In that way she built up one of the most famous theatrical agencies under the name of Fernandez & Payne. From obscure road companies Mrs. Fernandez very often brought actors and actresses who later attained prominence along Broadway. She was vice-president of the Professional Women's League. Her daughter, Bijou, was married to William Lepper Abingdon, the actor, a son of Squire and Lady Abingdon.

BRONZE TABLETS

TO BE PRESENTED TO U. S. VESSELS

NAPLES, Dec. 22.—The Italian naval league will present to American Consul Crowinshield on Dec. 28, the anniversary of the great earthquake in southern Italy several beautifully designed bronze tablets commemorative of the disaster and the assistance rendered the sufferers by America. The tablets are intended for the United States vessels, the crews of which aided in the work of rescue and the restoration of homes in Messina and Reggio.

The tablets were provided by a fund collected throughout Italy and in the Italian colonies in foreign cities—particularly New York. Similar tablets will be presented to other foreign ships that took part in the work of succor.

Paul E. Wirt Fountain Pen

As Good As the Best

Special Prices for Today Only

$1.50 Paul E. Wirt Pens today $1.29
$2.00 Paul E. Wirt Pens today $1.69
$2.50 Paul E. Wirt Pens today $2.19
$3.00 Paul E. Wirt Pens today $2.49
$3.50 Paul E. Wirt Pens today $2.98
$4.00 Paul E. Wirt Pens today $3.49
$5.00 Paul E. Wirt Pens today $4.29

These Prices Are for Today Only

Get a first class Fountain Pen at a cut price. Pens guaranteed or money refunded. Also in stock Waterman's and Moore's full line of Fountain Pens.

THOMAS H. LAWLER

The Fountain Pen Store

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VERY IMPRESSIVE

Was Scene at King's Funeral

BRUSSELS, Dec. 22.—A torrential rain, accompanied by a driving wind, ushered in the funeral day of King Leopold but as the imposing military cortege left the royal palace and slowly moved to the cathedral the downpour ceased, the gale died away and there remained such a dull gray morning as signalled the sovereign's death. The funeral was made the occasion for a general suspension of business and undismayed by the tempestuous weather vast crowds were early at every point of vantage along the route that the cortege would take while near the palace and cathedral the throngs were so great that they all but overcome the strong restraining force of soldiers and police. The scene was impressive as the cortege passed through the streets. More impressive as a spectacle, however, was the scene at the cathedral of St. Michael and St. Gudule that magnificent Gothic pile which from the city's eminence dominates the many architectural beauties of ancient Brussels. Here in its interior all that the hand of man could fashion to emphasize the regal rites had been done.

ATTENDED SPECIAL SERVICE

PONTOISE, France, Dec. 22.—Lucien and Phillippe, sons of the late King Leopold and the Baroness Vaughan, accompanied by their governess, drove from Barencourt to the little village of Aronville today and attended a special mass celebrated by Abbe Mornant for the repose of the monarch's soul. The boys wore white sailor suits upon the sleeves of which were bands of crepe.

The mayor and other personages prominent in the village life were present. Baroness Vaughan did not appear.

BRIEF SESSION

Of Police Court Held This Morning

Peter J. Langan pleaded guilty to being drunk. He has been on a spree for some time and has been a constant bother to his sister. He was sentenced to the state farm.

Cornelius O'Hearn was sentenced to one month in jail.

Ernest Poulin, John A. Myron and John McDavitt were fined $6 each and one first offender was fined the usual $3.

Cruelty to a Horse

In the case of William Karp and Peter Michelman, charged with cruelty to a horse, Karp was found guilty and a fine of $6 imposed. The case against Michelman was dismissed.

Case Continued

The case of Adelard Brissette, charged with the larceny of $157.35 and three rings valued at $15 from Mrs. Malvina Hebert on Oct. 23, 1908, came up this morning on continuance, but Brissette asked for a continuance in order that he might consult counsel, and the court granted an extension of time until Friday.

Etta Roberts pleaded to drunkenness and was given a suspended sentence of six months in jail and placed in the hands of the probation officer for two months.

MAY BE PHILADELPHIA MAN

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—The young man who threw himself in front of a subway train in Boston last night was undoubtedly Lee Sharpless, 24 years old, who had no permanent home, but who originally came from California, according to H. L. Stirling, of this city, whose clothing Sharpless wore when he committed suicide. Sharpless was a traveling man. Ten days ago he borowed some clothing from Stirling and said he was going to Baltimore. Yesterday Stirling received a letter from Sharpless dated Boston, in which the writer said he had had a run of hard luck lately and that he was disgusted with life. His parents are supposed to live in California.

MATRIMONIAL

Mr. Archie D. Bumps, of Milo, Me., was united in marriage last night to Miss Mabel A., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Dix, at the home of the bride's parents, 4 West Eleventh street. The double ring service was performed by Rev. Forrester A. Macdonald, little Miss Rosamond Steinhour acting as ring bearer.

The bride was becomingly attired in a beautiful gown of white lansdowne, embroidered with silver, and carried a shower bouquet of bride roses. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Vena M. Rexford, who wore pink silk muslin and carried pink carnations. The best man was Mr. Fred J. Starkey, also a cousin of the bride.

The bridal party entered the parlor to the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march, played by Miss Inez R. Beal, the bride's cousin. She was dressed in lavender silk. The ceremony was performed beneath an arch of wistaria. After the ceremony a reception was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Bumps received many beautiful presents including cut glass and silver. The happy couple left on the 9.35 train for a wedding tour to be spent in northern New York. On their return they will be at at home to their friends after Jan. 1, at 4 West Eleventh street.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 22.—At the meeting of governor and council today the resignation of Arthur W. Dean as state highway engineer was accepted and his first assistant, Harry C. Hill of Concord, was promoted to fill the vacancy. Mr. Dean goes to Massachusetts to take a similar position there.

15,000 SAILORS ARRIVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Christmas season in New York took a delightful marine atmosphere today when fifteen thousand officers and men of the Atlantic fleet steamed into port happy in the thought of Christmas day ashore.

The advance guard of seven battleships, the Minnesota, New Hampshire, Wisconsin, Missouri, Connecticut, Vermont and Kansas, slipped through the Narrows today and anchored in the Hudson. They will be followed by eight other battleships and two cruisers. The sailors will be allowed all the time possible ashore until the fleet sails on Jan. 5 and the paymasters are preparing to distribute something like $500,000 in pay to the sailors.

Rear Admiral Schroeder is in command of the squadron.

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NEW BATTLESHIPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Uncle Sam has obtained decided bargains in his contracts for battleships during the past five or six years, according to a statement of Chief Constructor Capps of the navy, to congress.

"We have had to inspect very rigidly," he said, "we have had to work exceedingly hard to prevent contractors from being entirely human and reducing the cost of their work at the expense of completeness and efficiency when they have bid so low. It is a serious question whether you want to take advantage of the rather critical situation of the shipbuilding industry in this country and force it into even a more difficult position. Whether it is to the government's interest to compel private firms to build ships at less than their bid when the bid is less than cost, is a matter for others to decide."

HELP WANTED

NIGHT FIREMAN wanted. Apply to Harry L. Shedd, 396 Woburn st., So. Lowell. Telephone 191-3.

GENERAL FARM HAND wanted. Good milker and teamster. Apply to foreman Nashoba Farm, Westford, Mass.

LIVE MAN wanted to manage new permanent business in your city. Some capital required. The J. J. Carney Mfg. Co., Fitchburg, Mass.

MARRIED COUPLE WANTED. The woman to act as matron in a private lodging house. No washing. For particulars write Matron, 51, Sun Office.

GIRL WANTED to work in a coffee house, good pay, must be over 21 years old. Call in the morning at 457 Market street.

ALL ROUND COOK wanted at the Manhattan House, Central st.

CARPENTERS WANTED for work on new parochial residence in Collinsville. Inquire on church grounds tomorrow morning after 9 o'clock.

SALESMAN WANTED in each county for highest grade garden and farm seeds. Permanent situations, good pay. Earnestness, not experience, essential. Cobb & Co., Franklin, Mass.

LIVE AGENTS wanted to sell high grade specialty. Easy to sell. Easy to handle. Liberal commission. Write today. The Fremont Co., Concord, N. H.

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LOST AND FOUND

BIG MOUSE COLORED DOG found. Owner can have by calling and paying expenses, at 5 Swan st., off Boston road.

BRACELET LOST with initials B. D. on it, between Moody st. and cor. Middle and Central sts., Saturday afternoon. Please return to 103 Hall st.

POCKETBOOK FOUND containing a sum of money. Owner can have same by calling at 54 Gershom ave.

GOLD STRING OF NECK BEADS found Thursday night. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this advertisement at 229 Fayette st.

BROWN HORSE BLANKET, for street wear, lost Dec. 20, between Lincoln school and Inland st. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning the same to 73 Inland st.

LONG EARED YOUNG HOUND lost, white and mottled, black body, brown head, plain strapped collar. Reward at W. H. Bagshaw's, 148 Saunders ave.

SMALL HEART SHAPED GOLD LOCKET lost, with initials "M. D." on back, also chain, between Carter st. and Merrimack st., Sunday. Reward at 617 Broadway.

POCKETBOOK LOST with a small amount of money, between School and Phillips sts., Saturday evening about 4.30 o'clock. Reward at 19 Bachelder place, off Walker st.

SUM OF MONEY found. The owner can have by proving properly. Apply at The Fashion, 115 Merrimack st.

GRADUATION RING 1909 lost Thursday afternoon. Reward for return to 933 Central st.

$50 REWARD

Strayed from Newtonville, November 16, 1909, English bull terrier, male, nine years old, weighs 35 to 40 lbs., medium size, light brindle, ears cut and pointed, has white on breast. Had a brass-studded collar with a name and license No. 60. No questions asked. James R. Wood, Detective Agency, 237 Washington st., Boston, Mass.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WOMAN COOK, all round, competent, wants place; hotel, boarding house or institution. 15 West Fourth street.

WOMAN WISHES WORK by the hour, doing washing or housework. Inquire Carter st., next door to Carter school house.

POSITION WANTED as cook, kitchen or chamber work. Please call at 109 Cheever st.

GENERAL HOUSEWORK wanted, or caring for children, by middle aged woman. Inquire 4 in rear of 175 Fayette st.

SPECIAL NOTICES

SKATES HOLLOW GROUND, sharpened, clippers sharpened. Badges made to order. Harry Gonzales, 128 Gorham st. Tel. 952-2.

MADAME BREETON, world's greatest palmist and card reader, 50c sittings this week 25c. 392 Bridge street in rear, opposite Third st. Office hours 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

THE HIGHEST GRADE PIANOS are sold by W. F. Trumbell, 101 Westford st. A special bargain for Christmas; come today, that first to come, will be first to get it.

NOONEN'S HAIR STAIN, 25c, 50c. Black, brown. At Dows', Lowell Pharmacy, Opera Pharmacy, Osgood's Noonan's, Plunkets.

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THIS IS YOUR CHANCE—W. F. Trumbell, will cut prices on pianos for the next eight days. This will give all persons holding piano certificates, a chance to get a high grade piano at the same price as they would pay for a medium or cheap piano. Come to 101 Westford st. and see the finest lot ever shown.

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MRS. C. M. ROBINSON of the McDowell School of Dressmaking, Boston, has opened parlors at 427 Wyman's Exchange, Tel. 2180.

A PRIVATE HOME for ladies before and during confinement. Infants adopted. 92 Vine st., Nashua, N. H.

NELSON'S COLONIAL DEPT. STORE—Fur department. Old fashioned fur sets, fur capes and fur muffs remodeled and made into a stylish, up-to-date set of furs at a small expense to you. Nothing in the fur line that we cannot do. Fur Dept., main floor. Central st. entrance. Mail orders given prompt attention.

CASH PAID for furniture, carpets, stoves and ranges. Write, call or phone. C. Welcome, 198 Broadway.

FURNITURE MOVING—Hugh McGrogan, furniture and piano mover, also dealer in wood and coal. Office 359 Broadway. Telephone 747; residence 52 Chestnut st.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

MISCELLANEOUS

FISHERMEN TAKE NOTICE—Shiners and tom cods for sale. Harry Gonzales, 128 Gorham st. Tel 952-2.

SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; highest cash prices paid. Call or send postal. F. Gallagher, 180 Gorham st.

CELLAR CEMENTING, sewer connections of any kind done by experienced men at reasonable figures. Estimates given. Best of references. Patrick J. Morris, 141 Ludlam st.

DRINK GLORIA for health; sold everywhere.

LIMBURG, chimney expert. Chimneys swept and repaired. Residence, 1128 Bridge st. Tel. 946.

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LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Samuel Keyser, late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, and State of New York, deceased.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court, by D. Crawford Clark and William V. S. Thorne, with certain papers purporting to be copies of the last will and testament of said deceased, and of the probate thereof in said State of New York, duly authenticated, representing that at the time of his death, said deceased had estate in said County of Middlesex, on which said will may operate, and praying that the copy of said will may be filed and recorded in the Registry of Probate of said County of Middlesex, and letters testamentary thereon granted to them without requiring sureties on their bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twelfth day of January, A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the first publication to be thirty days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

TO LET

UP-TO-DATE 5-ROOM FLAT to let, set tubs, range, curtains etc., near depot, rent reasonable. Apply J. A. Brien, 142 Chelmsford st.

5-ROOM FLAT to let on Pond st., all modern improvements. Apply Hogan Bros., 92 Concord st.

HOUSE TO LET—House corner Fayette and Everett sts., 12 rooms, bath, hot and cold water. Inquire 281 Concord st.

MODERN 4 and 5-ROOM TENEMENTS to let at 483 Moody st. Tel. 1695-3.

I HAVE A TENEMENT of 4 large rooms to let, at 14 Magle st. Apply Jos. Flynn, 50 Elm st.

3-ROOM TENEMENT to let at 44 Lee st., near the mills. Inquire on premises.

FURNISHED ROOMS to let, steam heat, gas, bath; also table board. Apply 259 Gorham st.

TWO TENEMENTS to let on Stackpole st. Inquire 26 Adams st.

7-ROOM TENEMENT and bath, to let, in first class repair, at 232 Appleton st. 4-room tenement, at 361 Lawrence st., rent $1.60 per week. 4-room tenement, rent $1.65 per week, at 341 Lakeview ave., to let. Inquire at 1128 Bridge st.

THREE TENEMENTS to let in new block, all modern improvements. For further particulars inquire at Maguire's grocery store, cor. Salem and Common sts.

6-ROOM TENEMENT to let, 8 Clark's court, off Lawrence st. Rent $8.

6-ROOM TENEMENT to let in Pawtucketville, bath, gas, hot water, open plumbing, sewer connection. Apply 89 Varnum ave., or tel. 1019-1.

FLAT OF 5 ROOMS to let on Stackpole st., near Alder st. All modern improvements. Rent $15. Apply at the Belvidere market, 107 East Merrimack st.

OFFICES TO LET in Associate bldg. Light, bright and airy, overlooking Monument square. Rent reasonable. Apply to janitor.

4-ROOM FLAT to let, bath, separate front and back doors. Inquire 625 East Merrimack st.

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SUITE OF ROOMS in the Harrington building, 52 Central st., to let. Inquire at The Sun office.

STEAM HEATED ROOMS to let, neatly furnished, $1 per week and upwards. Table board, $5. Mrs. McMillan, Gallagher House, William st.

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Three room tenement, $1.35 per week.
Five room tenement, $1.50 per week.
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Three miles from post office, good 25-acre farm. Price $1600.

Nice lodging house of 15 rooms, all in fine shape. Must be sold on account of sickness. Price $350.

G. L. Hubbard

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PAPER NOVELS and bound books wanted. Merritt's Book Store, 277 Middlesex st.

ALL PERSONS WANTED to buy their coal, coke, mill kindling, slab, hard wood and dry maple for fireplace. W. T. Griffin's, 137 Appleton st. Tel. 663.

CHILDREN WANTED to board. Terms reasonable. Nelson, R. F. D., Billerica.

I PAY THE HIGHEST PRICE in cash for any kind of second hand furniture. Call or send postal. W. Fox, 656 Middlesex st.

FOR SALE

PARLOR STOVE for sale, in good condition, used but little. Inquire 103 Bourne st.

PARLOR POOL TABLE for sale, in good condition. Inquire 177 Fort Hill ave.

ROMAN SECRET, With Otter Roses, The Blush of Youth. 15c. Dows.

ONE GOOD BAKER WAGON for sale; also one No. 4 McDowell oven, in good order, all kinds of baking utensils, bowls and boxes, ice chest, ice cream freezer, Packer show cases, counter, work benches and everything that goes with the bakery business. Will sell the whole thing for $300, and let the building that is 44x21, all filled with gas, for $8 a month. Inquire 93 Boynton st.

CORNER STORE on main street for sale. Stock consisting of fruit, light groceries, tobacco, cigars, good soda and ice cream trade. Inquire of S. D. Poffer, 942 Middlesex st.

BEAGLE HOUND, bitch and pups, for sale. Call at 75 Fourth avenue, after 6 p. m.

DRY GOODS, cigar, tobacco and candy store for sale, doing a good business. For further particulars apply to 331 Central st.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Att.	From Boston. Lve.	Att.
5.46	6.50	6.14	7.18
a6.27	7.41	7.35	8.55
b6.44	7.53	8.15	9.01
6.49	7.30	9.00	9.39
7.01	8.00	10.00	10.36
7.22	8.05	b10.21	11.34
a7.31	8.50	11.30	12.07
7.44	8.35	12.00	12.50
8.46	9.25	1.00	1.37
8.56	9.35	2.00	3.04
b9.07	10.16	3.00	3.37
9.30	10.24	b3.51	5.02
10.45	11.40	4.00	4.37
11.38	12.20	a4.14	5.30
12.12	1.00	5.00	5.37
1.46	2.30	b5.21	6.28
2.41	3.33	6.33	6.28
3.57	4.40	b5.51	7.03
4.23	5.50	a6.14	7.30
5.20	6.15	7.30	8.08
b6.10	7.19	8.30	9.08
6.28	7.10	10.30	11.34
7.36	8.20	11.17	11.55
9.50	10.30	11.20	12.10

SUNDAY TRAINS

SOUTHERN DIVISION

0.49	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.22	8.05	10.00	10.36
7.55	8.35	11.30	12.07
8.48	9.49	1.00	1.57
9.20	10.16	5.00	6.02
10.30	11.33	7.00	8.08
2.25	5.18	8.30	9.08
5.10	6.00	9.00	10.02
6.28	7.10	10.14	10.52
7.36	8.20	10.29	11.35

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Att.	From Boston. Lve.	Att.
6.46	7.55	x7.00	8.10
8.04	8.55	7.30	8.52
9.50	10.50	9.24	10.39
10.50	11.55	10.55	11.52
12.05	1.10	11.50	12.54
z1.30	2.39	2.14	3.20
3.10	4.14	3.30	4.30
4.20	5.04	4.59	5.56
5.05	6.09	6.03	7.05
7.00	8.00	6.35	7.45
9.35	10.38	9.35	10.33
		x11.25	12.21

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.20	9.20	8.00	9.08
12.10	1.16	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.00	2.14	3.23
5.45	7.05	3.30	4.41
8.50	10.02	5.20	6.38
		8.40	9.42

References:

x Runs to Lowell Saturdays only.
a Via Lawrence Junction.
b Via Bedford.
s Via Salem Jct.
z Via Wilmington Junction.

LOCAL NEWS

Try Tobin's Printery next time.

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Order your coal now at Mullin's, 953 Gorham street. Best coal in the city.

Ask for Lowell made cigars at Hall & Lyon's and all other drug stores.

Teeth extracted and filled without pain by the Obtundine system of painless dentistry. Dr. Cagnon, 406 Merr'k st.

TWO ARMED MEN

Stole Pay Envelopes Belonging to Girls

NEWARK, Dec. 22.—Two armed men held up Samuel B. Newman in the office of the Hooten Cocoa and Chocolate company here last night and stole 100 pay envelopes, containing in all about $600. Newman is superintendent of the factory, and was alone in the office when the men entered and covered him with revolvers, demanding "hands up and silence."

Fifty girls working on the second floor of the factory, for whom the pay envelopes had been made up, rushed panic-stricken from the building when they learned of the robbery.

The robbers were pursued for some distance, but made their escape.

CIVIL SESSION

Case Against Deputy Sheriff Clark Heard

The case of William C. Tucker of Chelmsford Deputy Sheriff Edward W. Clark was heard before Judge Hadley in the civil session of the police court this afternoon. Haven G. Hill appeared for the plaintiff, while the defendant was represented by Bennett Silverblatt.

The plaintiff alleges that the defendant converted to his own use six tons of hay.

In answer, the defendant says that he is a deputy sheriff of the county of Middlesex and that he seized the property by virtue of an execution issued by the police court of Lowell against one Harry Kallman as the property of Harry Kallman.

The ad dammum is $300.

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SPEAKER CANNON

Will Have to Fight for His Place

WASHINGTON, December 22.—They say that Speaker Cannon will not retire. The house of representatives, as a whole, seems to have a growing conviction that way. He is not a man to quit under fire. But in the face of these facts, the campaign for the choice of his successor is taking shape. The speaker's best and staunchest friends, while protesting that he will succeed himself, are discussing in low tone of voice and with confidential precautions, who should wield the gavel if the next congress is republican.

Two or three lightning rods already rear their points into the political firmament. The word is going round that Pres. Taft wants Rep. Walter I. Smith of Iowa, and has told him so. The speaker's friends refuse to believe that the president said any such thing. Smith is one of the speaker's lieutenants, whom President Roosevelt smote mightily in a special message about a year ago.

The regulars of New York, New England and other eastern states have told one another they would feel like uniting on Representative Murlin E. Olmsted of the Harrisburg, Pa., district. He is another of the speaker's very close lieutenants, probably the ablest parliamentarian in the house—saving only the speaker—is level-headed, long headed and well informed.

It is not likely that Mr. Cannon will be at all gracious over this attitude inside the camp of his own followers. The covetous eyes that are upon his mantle, even though disclaimers abound, cannot but be disquieting to him. This development, too, comes just when the house insurgents seem to be subsiding. And in addition, there are the rumors that another former lieutenant, ex-Senator and ex-Representative James A. Hemenway is going back to Indiana and may seek a re-election to the house with a view of getting into the speakership race.

WAVE OF CRIME

Has Swept Over City of Providence

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 22.—A wave of crime has swept over this city during the last ten days. At night the residents of the suburbs have been terrorized by highwaymen. Lodging houses and stores have been attacked by thieves and the streets have been infested by pickpockets. Four young girls were knocked down, and over $34,000 has been stolen during the past 21 days alone.

HALLEY'S COMET

WAS SEEN BY STUDENTS AT SOMERSWORTH, N. H.

SOMERSWORTH, N. H., Dec. 22.—Halley's comet was seen last evening, probably for the first time outside an observatory, by Onslow Blaisdell and Winfred S. Ross of Somersworth, through the latter's nine-inch telescope. The difficulty of the search was increased because the instrument stood in the open moonlight and on a home-made alt-azimuth stand, the equatorial mounting and circles, which it was equipped in a tent last summer, being removed.

Under the circumstances the comet was barely discernible as a mere discoloration in the sky. In previous attempts the observers had been baffled by frost settling on the objective. Mr. Ross has been a student of astronomy for many years, and is said to own the only portable telescope of its size in the world.

ICE CREAM FOR XMAS

Bulk $1.00 per gallon, vanilla, strawberry, chocolate and coffee. Brick cream $1.25 per gallon, coffee with filberts $1.25 per gallon, frozen pudding $2.00 per gallon, packed and delivered on time. Henry Bros., 32 Andover street. Tel. 1512.

ELOPING WIFE

Is Under Spell Her Husband Says

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 22.—"I want my wife to come back to me and the children for Christmas," said Alan Pratt of 210 Putnam street, a skilled accountant with the U. M. C. Co. yesterday to a reporter, in explaining the reason why he inserted little want advertisements in a New York paper, pleading with her to return.

"My wife was hypnotized," he continued, "by a nephew of mine, and while under the spell he threw around her, she left my home. That was two years ago. I know that she has broken away from his spells and I think she is now in New York. I want her to come home for Christmas and all will be forgiven. The children want her. They cry for her, and it would be such a bright Christmas again if she would only return."

Pratt says that he thinks his nephew has shaken the woman and is now in Italy. He believes his wife is in New York, and thought an advertisement in the papers was the best way to find her.

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THE BEST PLACE IN LOWELL TO BUY YOUR

Xmas Dinner

FRESH KILLED VERMONT

Turkeys

20c to 30c lb.

The best of everything found in a first class market. Orders promptly delivered to all parts of the city.

Make the Boy Happy

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You couldn't give him a more serviceable present. Has a handsome nickeled case, is the most attractive, most carefully regulated low-priced watch on the market, and is sold under a one-year guarantee.

Better get him one, perhaps he'll let you use it when yours is out of commission.

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We have the largest line of Prayer Books and Religious Articles in the city.

See our 49c and 89c padded Prayer Books for gent or lady.

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Gold Chained Rosaries, 98c and upwards. All the popular colors.

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OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

FIFTEEN DOLLAR

OVERCOATS

—AT—

TEN DOLLARS

Thirty coats added to the lot this week, Black Kersey, Oxford Gray Frieze, Dark Stripe Velours, and Fancy Overcoatings with the regular collar or the Military cut. Men's and Young Men's models, all excellent values at $15---but to clean out the odd garments and small lots we mark them for the balance of this week . . .

$10

ABOUT EIGHTY COATS IN THE LOT AND ALL SIZES, 34 44

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"The Store That's Light as Day"

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Right goods at right prices is what attracts.

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Get the Boy A SLEIGH

Get the New Paxaway Sleigh. The handiest sleigh made. The runners fold up, which makes it very convenient to carry. Only

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Dolls For the Girl 39c

for a 75c Doll, all dressed.

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finished in gold, bronze, with fancy cretonne covered mattress, pair pillows and canopy top, worth $1.50. Only

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CHILD'S ROCKERS and HIGH CHAIRS
DOLL CARRIAGES
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by the hundreds for grown-ups, $2.75 to $30.00

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MERRIMACK SQUARE

NASHUA PEOPLE

To be Their Own Public Officers

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 22.—Convinced that burglaries that have been taking place with great regularity at the South end have been done by people who were simply hungry and in destitute circumstances, residents have decided not to ask special police protection, but simply to catch the thief themselves and then decide what course to pursue.

Former Mayor Charles H. Burke's residence and the residence of Charles I. Richards, agent for the New Hampshire Woman's Humane Society, are among those broken into.

Lowell Opera House

Proprietor—JULIUS CAHN—Mgr.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday, December 25

MATINEE AND NIGHT

AND WEEK OF DECEMBER 27

PHIL OTT'S

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Saturday Afternoon and Evening

In the Musical Farce

THE MAN AND THE MUMMY

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, "THE BOSTON BELLE" No Matinee Monday

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Prices: Nights and Christmas matinee, 50c, 30c, 20c, 10c. Other matinees 10c and 20c. Seats on Sale.

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Runels' hall, Runels' building, Merrimack square. Public classes Wednesdays and Thursdays. Private lessons Mondays and Saturdays, or by appointment. O'Connor, telephone No. 1272-2.

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TOMORROW—Musical Baskirk Co., featuring the Golden Anvil Chorus with electric sparks flying everywhere.

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We have a full line which we want to close out before Christmas. Come today.

Welch Bros.

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ADMISSION 5 AND 10 CENTS

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Every Afternoon Week Dec. 20 Every Evening

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In "Fun in a Fool House."
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"A stormy Finish."

Ladies' Burgain Matinee Every Day

Pianos from M. Steinert & Sons

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At Public Auction Tomorrow Afternoon at 3 O'Clock at 605 Chelmsford Street, a 9-Room House, Stable, One-Story Building, Occupied as a Store, and About 8708 Square Feet of Land.

On the premises, regardless of any condition of the weather, I shall offer for sale to whomsoever will bid the most for it, my home and place of business at 605 Chelmsford street. The house consists of nine rooms, bath and pantry and summer kitchen. There is a parlor, sitting-room, den, dining-room, kitchen, large pantry and summer kitchen on the first floor, and four large, airy and well-lighted chambers and bath on the next floor. There is furnace heat, gas throughout, cemented cellar, back stairs, and in fact, you could not find a more conveniently laid out house of nine rooms. There are two bay windows in the front of the house, and a large side piazza, and the house is in excellent shape inside and out. The barn has three box stalls, with plenty of carriage room, and a nice loft for storage of hay and grain. The one-story building, which is occupied as a store, is 20x24, with an ell 10x12; this I built within two years and have occupied it as a store and have made a good living in the same. The driveway and walk are concreted; there are lightning rods on the house and barn. The lot has a frontage of 80 feet on Chelmsford street, and contains about 8708 square feet, and is all fenced in. Now, here is a nice home with a good stable and a fine stand for business, with plenty of yard room. The location is a first-class one, the electrics pass the door; it is but a short distance from the Lincoln school, and a good place for business, the neighborhood being so well settled. I regret very much disposing of it at this time, but my health being very poor, my doctor says I must go South. Now, for someone who wants a nice cosy home of nine rooms, with everything up-to-date, a good stable, and a fine place to do business, here is the opportunity. The property can be inspected any afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock, from now until time of sale.

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By order of M. J. ROUGHAN.

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One Pair of handsome Cotton Geldings, weigh 2100 pounds, fearless and clever. A slick advertising team.

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